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Local rains Wednesday; Thursday rain.

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WAR DEPARTMENT PREPARING PLANS FOR GIANT GUNS

Like Those With Which Germans Battered Their Way Through Belgium.

FOR COAST DEFENSE USE

Colonel Treat and Other Military Officers Heard by Committees.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Plans for coast defense guns, similar to the great 42 centimeter Howitzers with which the Germans battered their way through Belgium and the French frontier, are being prepared by the War Department here, according to testimony given by Colonel Charles G. Treat, of the Army War College, before the Senate military committee today.

The officer said that the War Department has definite information regarding the powerful guns, that they can be fired without mounting them on concrete emplacements and can be made ready for use in less than an hour and a half after they reach a given point.

Primarily they will be used in coast defense work, although motor tractor plans for their use in field operations also are being worked out.

Learning in Europe.

Both Colonel Treat and Brigadier General Crozier, chief of ordnance, who testified before the House military committee, spoke of what American army officers are learning on the battlefields of Europe. Much of what Colonel Treat said was treated as confidential, but it is known that he told the committee there was an American observer with the armies of each belligerent nation, and that their reports to the war college had been of great value in the preparation of new army plans.

As a matter of course, he said, none of the observers would send home during the war information which might be of value to other belligerents should it become known in this country.

Both the committees were given much information today as to artillery of all types. Colonel Treat, who is a field artillery officer, said there is no reason to expect that trench warfare conditions will have to be met in this country and, therefore, the proportion of high explosive shells and shrapnel for field guns will not be altered as radically for the American army as the French and British have found necessary. Describing the effect of high explosive fire on troops, he said, it had been noted abroad that the moral effect of the detonation of these missiles was far greater than that of shrapnel, although the latter was more deadly. A high explosive shell bursting at the head of a column, he said, while it killed fewer men than a shrapnel shell, would be more likely to check the advance.

Three-Inch Field Artillery.

The American 3-inch field artillery, the colonel explained, duplicated the French 75's in every respect but rapidity of fire and experiments are in progress which, it is believed, will give the guns all the advantages of the French weapon.

In this connection General Crozier said experiments also were being made with the split trail equipment which might make the American guns superior to any now in use abroad except for a few used by the Italian army.

General Crozier's examination by members of the House committee indicated that efforts would be made to write into the army bill definite plans for utilizing private munition factories in time of war. The cost of making and storing necessary patterns and machine attachments so that every commercial rifle or ammunition factory could be converted quickly to turn out army calibres, General Crozier estimated, would be $275,000 and would increase the Government's capacity to make 1,500 new model Springfields a day to a total daily production for the country of 15,000 or more.

War Orders Unfilled.

Without the preparation of such implements in advance, he said, conversion of the plants might take a year. It was pointed out that while many American-made rifles have gone abroad during the present war, none of the orders for the service models in use in various armies had yet been filled because of the time required to convert plants.

The only other witness heard was Adjutant General McCain, who repeated before the Senate committee his belief that the United States could not recruit for the regular army more than 50,000 a year under any circumstances. Asked what the chief difficulties in the way of getting men were, he said:

"Well, they just don't enlist."

General McCain also disclosed that there now is a reserve of approximately 1,400 men for the regular army compared with the much ridiculed force of 16 early last year, or of 19 in July. The reserve law did not go into operation until last November.

Admitting that the continental army scheme was an experiment, the general said he believed a trial should be made since he was positive an army of 250,000 regulars could not be recruited. He declared there was no information on which to base an opinion as to whether the proposed 400,000 continental volunteers could be found.

London, Jan. 25. — Viscount Bryce, formerly British ambassador at Washington, today asked the government of the United States to take steps to send relief to the Armenians, who, he states, have been driven by the Turks into the deserts of Syria and Mesopotamia.

KAISER DESCRIBED BY CORRESPONDENT

Watched Him at Close Range on Several Occasions.

SEEMS TIRED AND AGED

Says Remarkable Change Has Come Over the German Emperor in Eight Years—Saw Him at Banquet at Nish.

London, Jan. 25.—The Daily Mail correspondent who arrived at Nish January 18, describes what he saw of the German emperor at close range on several occasions at Nish and what happened at the royal banquet where the emperor was the guest of King Ferdinand.

"I was face to face with the Emperor directly I left the train," says the correspondent. "King Ferdinand had only a few moments before he received him on his arrival from the West and the royal couple were walking up and down the station platform without ceremony, arm in arm. I had never seen Ferdinand before, and it was eight years since I had last seen the German emperor.

"What a change! The emperor is not a tall man as represented in his photographs, and beside the great massive figure of the hawk-nosed Ferdinand, who has a curious ducklike waddle, the great war lord seemed almost diminutive. The emperor wore a long gray coat, a brown fur necklet and a spiked helmet with khaki cloth. The people did not show much interest in the emperor, but the Bulgarian ministers were absequious.

"How did the emperor look? Whether it be due to the fatigues of war, the effect of a two days' journey, or ill health, I cannot say, but his face is that of a tired and broken man. His hair is white, though his moustache is still suspiciously dark. There was an absence of the old activity of gesture.

"The emperor was obviously out to make himself agreeable. He examined the medals of the Bulgarian soldiers with apparent interest and chatted with royal affability and smiled right and left. None the less, he is greatly aged. He held in his hand a handkerchief which he was perpetually using, and I noticed later at the banquet that he seemed to require it to assuage the continual coughing. The handkerchief was a huge Turkish affair of red, embroidered with a white Turkish star and crescent in the corner.

"At the banquet King Ferdinand sat on the emperor's right and M. Radoslavoff, the premier, on his left. Next to King Ferdinand sat General von Falkenhayne, the German chief of staff. The emperor ate and drank virtually nothing at the banquet and it is said that he always eats before proceeding to state functions. Certainly he spent more time coughing than eating at Nish.

"The gathering broke up quite informally, the whole scene leaving an impression of simplicity."

BROOKLYN SESSIONS ENDED.

Naval Court of Inquiry Investigating E-2 Explosion.

New York, Jan. 25.—The naval court of inquiry into the fatal explosion on the submarine E-2 on January 15, closed its sessions at the Brooklyn navy yard today. One more witness, L. C. Miles, chief electrician on the craft, will be examined after he has sufficiently recovered from his injuries. The findings of the court will be forwarded to the Navy Department in Washington.

MANN MAKES RINGING PREPAREDNESS SPEECH

Minority Leader Heartily Applauded by Both Sides.

Coming on the Eve of the President's Preparedness Speaking Tour, the Address is Considered Very Significant.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Unqualified, non-partisan support of military preparedness was urged today by Minority Leader Mann in a ringing speech on the floor of the House. He was heartily and repeatedly applauded by both sides of the chamber.

While it has been understood that most of the Republicans favored army and navy increases, until today none of their leaders had spoken on the subject. Consequently, coming as it did on the eve of the President's departure on a preparedness speaking tour, Mr. Mann's address was regarded as particularly significant. He remarked himself that he always had been known as a "small" army and navy man.

Representative Mann declared that he saw no immediate danger of war and hoped that peace might prevail, but that the danger of the United States being drawn into the present conflict or one that might result from it was too great to be disregarded.

"I have much more fear in the end of war with England than I have of war with Germany," he said. That was his only comment on this phase of his subject. Later he declined to elaborate on his remark.

Mr. Mann urged no particular preparedness plan. He said he favored a standing army of 250,000 or 300,000 or even half a million men, better coast defense and "a navy which will be able to defend us on the sea." He promised to go into these details at greater length later.

BERLIN GERMANY'S LATEST PROPOSAL

Partially Unsatisfactory, According to Report.

IN LUSITANIA MATTER

Lansing and Wilson Said to Have Informed von Bernstorff That They Can Not Accept Proposal. Further Conferences.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The United States is understood to have rejected as being partially unsatisfactory Germany's latest proposal in the Lusitania negotiations. Secretary Lansing, with the approval of President Wilson, is said to have so informed Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, during a conference late today at the State Department. The ambassador will confer again with the Secretary tomorrow.

It is understood he will then submit another confidential tentative proposal for a settlement, having embodied in it the requirements of the United States. After being considered by the President and Secretary Lansing the matter, unless present plans miscarry, will be transmitted to Berlin for the approval or disapproval of the German government.

Satisfactory in Large Part.

In many particulars the suggested form of agreement designed to conclude the controversy, which was submitted through the ambassador, is acceptable. It was stated by excellent authority, however, that the United States insists upon holding the German government to a "strict accountability" for the loss of more than 100 American lives and desires that the Berlin government admit, in effect, that it is liable according to law for the lives of neutrals lost in the commission of an act against a vessel of the enemy.

Both Secretary Lansing and Count von Bernstorff have agreed that the substance of their conversation today should be held confidential.

It was further explained that these negotiations, necessarily of an informal character, were not in the least binding. Secretary Lansing, in referring to the publication of certain facts connected with the proposal which now is understood to have been rejected, declared during the day that the statements were "conjectures," and that the published description of the informal communication was "supposition unjustified by the facts."

From sources usually well informed came the statement that Germany in the proposal had considered friendship for the United States to a greater extent that law in making such concessions as have been made. The administration was represented as taking the position that law also should be brought into consideration.

TO LEAVE UNITED STATES?

Bryan Intimates He Is Preparing to go to Stockholm.

London, Jan. 25.—A dispatch to Reuter's from Stockholm says that William J. Bryan, in accepting membership on the Ford permanent peace committee, intimated that he was preparing to leave the United States for Stockholm.

SHE FILED PETITION ON DAY DR. MOHR DIED

Mrs. Mohr Wanted Custodianship of His Property.

She Also Filed Petition to be Appointed Administratrix—Several Newspapermen and Others Testify.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 25.—Testimony was introduced today at the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr and two negroes charged with the murder of the woman's husband, Dr. C. Franklin Mohr, showing that on the day Dr. Mohr died, she petitioned the municipal court to have herself appointed custodian of his property. She filed at the same time a petition to be named administratrix.

The prosecution submitted this evidence in support of the theory outlined to the jury in the opening argument, that Mrs. Mohr's motive for the alleged instigation of the negroes to kill her husband was partly her desire to gain control of his property.

To offset any impression that this testimony might make, the defense in cross-examination of Milford D. Rogers, clerk of the probate court, drew from him the statement that it was customary to file petitions for custodianship to immediately protect the property.

It was brought out that a second petition for custodianship was signed by Elizabeth F. Mohr and Charles M. Mohr, of Baltimore, Md., son of Dr. Mohr.

In cross examining several newspaper men who had testified in corroboration of the police officers' testimony relative to alleged confessions of the negroes, Cecil Brown and Henry Spellman, William H. Lewis, of counsel for the defense, probably would try to convince the jury when Brown and Spellman stated that they killed Dr. Mohr on Mrs. Mohr's promise to pay them $5,000, they were joking.

BRITISH FORCES IN MESOPOTAMIA SUFFER REVERSE

Driven Back Several Miles in Efforts to Reach Besieged Kut El Amara.

SAYS TURKISH REPORT

Turks Suffer in Battles With Russians; Little Unusual on the Other Fronts.

RENEWAL OF HEAVY FIGHTING IN WEST

London, Jan. 26. — The morning papers emphasize the renewel of heavy fighting on the western front. They believe that there was a serious German attempt to break through the French lines close to the Flanders coast on Monday, and predict that German activity in the west will probably reach its highest effort on Thursday when the German emperor celebrates his 57th birthday.

If reports from Turkish headquarters are exact, the British forces in Mesopotamia suffered a somewhat sever reverse in their endeavor to reach the besieged town of Kut El Amara, on the Tigris river. Some 20 miles east of Kut El Amara, the Turks, in counter attacks, drove the British back several miles, the latter leaving on the field about 3,000 dead. The Turkish about three thousand dead. The Turkish losses are declared to have been comparatively slight.

It was after this fight, which lasted six hours ,that General Aylmer is declared to have requested and obtained a truce of one day in order that the dead might be buried.

The British advancing from Muntefik, on the Shatt-El-Hai river south of Kut El Amara, toward Korna, also was compelled to retreat before a Turkish attack, says the report, leaving one hundred men dead.

The British reverse at the hands of the Turks, however, is somewhat offset by the Turkish losses in battles with the Russians in the neighborhood of Ezerum. A news agency dispatch from Petrograd asserts that apart from the casualties in actual battle the Turks lost fifty officers and four thousand men taken prisoner and also scores of machine guns and quantities of munitions captured.

On the Other Fronts.

Aside from the usual bombardments mining operations and aeroplane raids, little fighting is going on in any of the other theatres of war. Vienna asserts there has been no resumption of hostilities with Montenegro. The king of the Montenegrins, with his family, has arrived at Lyons, France. The disarming of the Montenegrin army, according to Austrian dispatches, is progressing without interruption and without resistence.

Allied airmen have again dropped bombs on Monastir and Gievell and a hundred persons are estimated to have been killed or wounded in the latter town. The Germans have dropped explosives from aircraft on Dunkirk, where five persons were killed, and on the aerodrome at Nancy and factories at Baccarat.

While no battles of importance have been reported from the Russian front, Vienna says the Russians have shelled several sections of their line and are actively reconnoitering. Unofficial advices from Petrograd say the recent successes of the Russians have brought them to within less than three miles of the town of Pinsk in Volhynia.

The British military service bill is making favorable progress in the house of lords after its passage in the house of commons. The upper house passed the second erading of the measure without division.

BRITISH FORCE REPULSED

Left 3,000 Dead on the Field Says Turkish Official Report.

Berlin, Jan. 25, (via wireless to Sayville).—The British force going to the relief of the troops surrounded by the Turks at Kut El Amara attacked the Turkish positions near Menlari on January 21 but were repulsed after an engagement lasting six hours, according to an official report issued by the Turkish headquarters staff. The Brit-

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Public lands committee reported water power bill, recognizing jurisdiction of both State and Federal governments over water power sites.

Postoffice committee recommended deposits of postal saving funds in Federal Reserve banks.

Military and Naval committees continued hearings.

Adjourned at 4:53 to noon Wednesday.

HOUSE.

Met at noon.

Military and Naval committees continued hearings.

Rivers and Harbors committee heard Representative Sumners on Trinity river project.

Republican Leader Mann made speech advocating preparedness.

Representative Bennett, New York, defended German-Americans in a speech.

Passed the Shackleford $25,000,000 good roads bill, 281 to 81, three members voting "present."

Adjourned at 5 P. M. to noon Wednesday.

VILLA WITH FORCE OF 1,000 LOCATED

In Santa Clara Canyon, Says Report to El Paso.

DOUBT AS TO NUMBER

Americans Arriving from Chihuahua Confirm Report of Killing of Five Americans by Mexican Bandits Recently.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 25.—Francisco Villa, with a force estimated at 1,000 men, has been located, according to advices from the south, in Santa Clara canyon, on the Santa Clara ranch of the Terrazas family, about 45 miles west of Chihuahua City. Carranza officials here, while admitting the probability of Villa being at Santa Clara, asserted that he could not have more than a few hundred men.

Three Americans arriving today from Chihuahua City confirmed previous reports of the murder by Mexican bandits of five Americans between December 22 and January 9. These were given as Henry Acklin, a rancher living south of Minaca; his son-in-law, Walter Maiburn, Tom Johnson, a ranch hand; Peter Keane, bookkeeper for the Babricora ranch of William R. Hearst, and Bart Kramer, son of David Kramer, one of the Americans driven out of Western Chihuahua last December. The elder Kramer was wounded and they said two surviving sons had gone into the mountains near Madera to bring their father out of his hiding place.

Whether they had returned in safety had not been learned.

Acklin, Maiburn and Johnson were slain by bandits in the Cocomerachic district on January 4, according to the Americans.

Twenty-five bars of silver and gold bullion valued at $25,000 shipped by Villa on April 9, 1913, at Santa Ysabel, were returned by Carranza officials today to Charles Qualey, representative of an American mining company. The bars were found stored in Chihuahua City by Miss Marie Corral, sister-in-law of Villa.

Admitted to United States.

Medinavitia, former chief of staff to Francisco Villa at Juarez, was today admitted to the United States by immigration authorities after a three days' hearing.

The hearing was held to investigate reports that Medinavitia, who was deported and allowed to re-enter the country, had been concerned in the disappearance of Peter Keane, a Hearst ranch employe, believed to have been killed in the vicinity of Madera, Chihuahua, several weeks ago.

CENSORSHIP BILL SENT TO COMMITTEE BY THE CHAMBER

Premier Briand Makes Impassioned Speech for the Measure.

Paris, Jan. 25.—The chamber of deputies today by a vote of 394 to 138 sent the censorship bill to committee.

This bill provides that all publications must be communicated to the government before being offered to the public but that the censor shall have the right to suppress only such unofficial matter as refers to military operations and diplomatic negotiations, the disclosure of which would be harmful to the national defense.

Premier Briand, on making an impassioned speech in the chamber of deputies today in defense of the bill, encountered interruptions and at one time lively protests.

SAFER FROM ATTACK THAN IN FIFTY YEARS

Less Occasion for Alarm Now Than Before the War.

View Expressed by Senator Stone in Address in Senate on Philippine Bill—Not Opposed to Reasonable Preparedness.

Washington, Jan. 25.—America will be safer from attack from abroad at the close of the war in Europe than at any time in the last 50 years, in the opinion of Senator Stone, of Missouri, chairman of the foreign relations committee. He voiced this belief in the Senate today while discussing the pending Philippine self government bill, debate on which turned into a general airing of views on foreign relations and military preparedness.

"The close of the war," said Senator Stone, "will bring greater likelihood for lasting peace with the European nations than has existed at any time in the last half century. I don't want it understood that I am opposed to a reasonable preparedness, but I think there is much less occasion for alarm now than before the war."

Senator Stone offered a new amendment to the bill which would authorize the President to enter into separate agreements for guaranteeing the sovereignty of the islands with such nations as might decline to come into a joint agreement as proposed in the pending Clarke amendment to promise independence within four years.

Senator McCumber proposed an amendment which would authorize the President at the outset to indicate to foreign powers the desire of the United States to extend independence and authorizing him to enter into agreement on the condition that this nation would not surrender sovereignty until assured that it would be respected.

TARIFF COMMISSION FAVORED BY WILSON

President Discusses Plan With Chairman Kitchin.

WITH SIMMONS TODAY

Would Create Independent, Non-Partisan Board to Investigate the Entire Tariff and Commercial Machinery.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Announcement was made tonight that President Wilson favors the creation of an independent, non-partisan tariff commission with broad powers to investigate tariff duties, the relations between industries at home and abroad, and the entire tariff and commercial machinery of the world.

The President discussed his plan at length today with Representative Kitchin, chairman of the House Ways and Means committee, and asked that the committee consider it immediately with the view of getting action during the present session of Congress. Tomorrow he expects to lay the matter before Senator Simmons, chairman of the Senate Finance committee. Later he may address Congress on the subject, although tonight it was said this was improbable.

Although the President previously has taken the position that the powers of a tariff commission already are held by existing government bureaus, he told Mr. Kitchin he felt justified in pressing for the creation of a separate commission at this time because of unusual international conditions, and on account of the interest the United States will have in commercial adjustments after the present upheaval.

Representative Kitchin said he possibly thought the Federal Trade Commission should be clothed with whatever additional powers might be necessary, but that he believed a majority of the ways and means committee favored a new independent body. The President made it plain he did not think the proposed commission should be established with the view of upholding or criticising any particular tariff policy, but should be entirely non-partisan, and capable of gathering facts without any political bias.

Powers of Commission.

As proposed by the President, such a commission would have specific powers to:

Investigate the administrative and fiscal effects of customs laws now in force or which may be passed in the future;

Determine the relations between rates of duties on raw materials and those on finished or partially finished products;

Investigate the effects of ad valorem and specific duties and of those which are a compound of ad valorem and specific;

Examine the arrangements of schedules of duties and the classification of the articles on the several schedules;

Investigate the provisions of law relating to the tariff and the regulations of the Treasury Department applying to invoices and other questions with application to the collection of customs duties; and,

Determine generally the working of the customs and tariff laws in their economic effect and administrative method.

London, Jan. 26.—A dispatch received from Rome says that the Austrians have occupied San Giovanni Di Medua, a seaport in Albania, 17 miles south of Scutari.

NON-SUSPENSION WILL PROBABLY BE ADOPTED

Policy is Urged by Leaders of United Mine Workers.

Is Given Strong Support in Convention When 11 Out of 15 Speakers Advocate Its Adoption—Goes Over for More Talk.

Indianapolis, Jan. 25. — The policy of no suspensions of mining in any field after present agreements have expired, so long as there is hope of negotiating new contracts, was given strong support in the convention of the United Mine Workers of America today, when the question came before the delegates for their consideration. After 15 speeches had been made, 11 of which favored the non-suspension policy, the question went over until tomorrow for final action, as many delegates desired to talk on it.

All the leading officials of the Union favored the non-suspension policy, and it was predicted by them that the convention will endorse it. The burden of the majority of the speeches was that the organized men owe it not only to themselves, but to the employers of union miners as well, that the coal markets supplied by organized coal diggers be not disturbed unless it is absolutely necessary to stop mining to win concessions.

President John P. White, in advocating the non-suspension policy, said there was great danger of non-union coal going into markets supplied by union labor in the event of a suspension, and it was the part of prudence of the union to help preserve these markets for the employers who have been willing to meet the men.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT WILL END LYNCHING IN NORTH CAROLINA

Governor Craig Assails Judge Clark for Holding Courts Responsible.

SPEAKS AT CHARLOTTE

Address Features Day's Session of Conference for Social Service.

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 25.—Speaking before the fourth annual North Carolina Conference for Social Service here this afternoon, Governor Locke Craig, referring to the Wayne county lynching, declared the moral stamina of the State is not clear of responsibility for the flagrant commission of crimes in defiance of law. "We are to some extent responsible for the lynching in Wayne county," he said, "for heretofore we have not made sufficiently clear our conviction and have not determined against the crimes of the mob.

"If the criminals who lynched that negro, who violated and trampled down in darkness the sanctity of law, who outraged the State, had known that a people shocked by this night orgy of death, this uncalled for, unnecessary, wanton and utter defenseless shame, would have arisen and spoken against them in righteous indignation to their exposure and condemnation, the soil of Wayne county would not have been polluted by the blood of another murder. But we can hope that this is the last of such crimes in this State. The press and the pulpit and patriotic citizens have spoken with emphasis and sounded a clear note that public sentiment in North Carolina is against such deeds and will no longer tolerate them."

The Governor took occasion here to severely criticise Chief Justice Clark for holding the courts responsible for the mobs. "Outside of Wayne county there is the one discord in this note of unqualified condemnation and that is from the Chief Justice of this State," the Governor declared. "It is astounding that he should hold the courts responsible for the mobs. This serious charge is made in general against our courts. It should have been made special. The recreant judges should have been named. There is no disposition in North Carolina not to administer the law. Crime does not go unpunished. No reasonable man concludes that this negro who murdered a farmer in Wayne county would have escaped justice at the hands of judge and jury. To hold up our State as worse and more lawless than Sicily with its Maffia is an unjustified accusation."

Governor Craig Speaks.

Governor Craig, in opening the afternoon session of the conference today, said in part:

"Public opinion is the supreme power. From its judgment there is no appeal. It pronounces the final decree. Authority of all governments—democracy, monarchy and despotism is derived from and determined by the will of the people. This is the resulant force of all the elemental forces of humanity. The influence of each individual is determined by his moral and intellectual energy. The formulas of democracy do not make men equal, and cannot give them equal power.

"The force of public opinion is vitalized and directed by the press and the platform, the home, school and all the intercourse between men. We have established the ballot box for the expression of some of its phases, but always it has found its general and highest expression in the man that typefies the race, who with clear sight and strong heart embodies the aspirations of the people—not a demagogue, not a time server. A telegram from nome does not terrify him, nor change his opinion. He obeys the impulse of his own bosom. His heart throbs in sympathy with his fellows. He and they are like musical instruments attuned in harmony, responsive alike to the same influences and conditions. He sounds the clearer and the stronger note, and he only is the leader of men, the interpreter of the collective will of all the people.

"The people are the progressive interpreters of the laws of God. Through the darkness of the ages, through the wilderness of storms and difficulties, for forty years and for forty centuries, in toil and tribulation, in battles and in marches, they have been seeking the land of promise. From time to time there rises up the great in genius, in love, in thought, in action, as ministers of the truth to guide the multitudes on their way—the poets, the prophets, priests, kings and statesmen.

People's Support Essential.

"No throne can stand without the support of the people. No government can endure with vigor unless it is sustained by the pulsations of the universal heart. The strength of England in peace and in war, as of Germany, Austro-Hungary, Russia and Turkey, is determined by whatever love of country and loyalty exists there. Manhood and devotion to country are born of justice. Patriotism is inconsistent with oppression. Arbitrary power is a makeshift, it is temporary, it may subdue for a moment, but it creates a necessity for subjection again. A nation cannot be governed which is perpetually to be conquered and oppressed.

"No wickedness is powerful enough to stand uncovered, in the determined gaze of all men. Publicity is the purifying agency of modern time. Light is an irresistible disinfectant; the printing press, the dynamo to enlightenment and progress. Lies and fraud and all evils flee from exposure as the

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U. S. STEEL COMMON AGAIN 5 PER CENT

Shares Restored to Their Regular Dividend Status.

EARNINGS NEVER SO BIG

Total for Last Quarter More Than $51,000,000, or More Than $5,500,000 Greater Than Previous Record in 1907.

New York, Jan. 25. — United States Steel, common, shares were restored to their regular dividend status of 5 per cent. today, when the directors unanimously declared a quarterly disbursement of 1¼ per cent. out of the earnings for the last quarter of 1915. Total earnings of $51,232,788 for three months were the largest for any similar period in the history of the corporation, exceeding the previous record, made in the second quarter of 1907, by $5,728,683.

The statement of earnings no less than the action on the dividend was in line with popular expectations, forecasts having ranged from $48,000,000 to $55,000,000, although the latter figure was regarded rather extravagant.

That some fair rate of dividend would be declared was foreshadowed in the recent decision of the corporation to increase the wages of its unskilled laborers by 10 per cent. and the offering of the common stock to employees on the profit sharing plan at 85.

The corporation's financial position may be judged from the fact that it now has cash in banks amounting to $105,000,000, while its surplus for the last quarter of 1915 amounts to more than $23,000,000 as against a deficit of $5,606,000 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. In detail, the last report of 1915 shows total earnings of $51,232,788, net income of $40,853,113 and surplus of $23,300,692. These figures compare with total earnings of $38,710,644; net income of $30,045,791, and surplus of $18,037,241 at the end of the quarter immediately preceding.

Total for Year 1915.

Total earnings for 1915 were $130,351,296, compared with $81,746,518 in 1914. On the basis of returns for the last quarter of 1915 and with orders already in hand, it is believed the steel corporation's earnings for 1916 will run into unprecedented figures.

In the fourth quarter of 1914, when commond dividends were altogether suspended, total earnings were only $10,933,170 and net income $6,345,253, after charges and depreciations amounting to $4,588,000 had been made. For the last quarter of 1915, charges and depreciations, together with other appropriations amounting to about $10,380,000 were made, despite which the net income is larger by over 600 per cent. than at the close of 1914.

The outlay involved in the disbursement of the common dividend amounts to $6,353,781, which, with the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent. on the preferred stock, makes a total dividend distribution for the quarter of $12,658,701.

B'NAI B'RITH ELECTS OFFICERS

Adjourns Two Days' Session at Savannah to Meet in Richmond Next

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 25.—With the election of officers and selection of Richmond, Va., as the next meeting place, the annual convention of the fifth district grand lodge B'Nai B'Rith adjourned here late today after a two days' session. The officers elected were: President, Milton Klein, of Atlanta; first vice-president, Edwin L. Levy, of Richmond; second vice-president, Dr. B. Wildauer, of Atlanta; treasurer, H. Sternberger, of Greensboro, N. C.; secretary, George Solomon, of Savannah.

The members of the general committee are: Dr. E. M. Colisch, of Richmond; Julius I. Peyser, of Washington; Judge Charles Feidelson, of Savannah, and Leslie Weil, of Goldsboro, N. C.

THIRTY-THREE NIGHT RIDERS SENTENCED AND PAROLED

After Pleading Guilty to Charges Against Them in Court.

New Madrid, Mo., Jan. 25. —Thirty-three defendants in the night rider trials here pleaded guilty today, thus bringing the trials to a sudden end. All thirty-three were sentenced to six months' imprisonment and were paroled on good behavior. Two men who were on trial today were allowed to plead guilty and were paroled with the rest.

The penitentiary sentences of the eight men whose cases already had been disposed of, will stand, unless the trial judge should parole them. The object of the night riders' operations was to force lower rent and higher wages.

WAKE FOREST BEATS TRINITY.

In Hard-Fought Game of Basketball at Durham.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Jan. 25.—In perhaps the hardest fought game ever seen here Wake Forest defeated Trinity tonight by the score of 28 to 26. The second half began with the score standing 16 to 9 in favor of Trinity, but Wake Forest came back, and throughout the half it was anybody's game. Hall shot a goal in the last minute of play, winning the game.

Anderson was the Trinity star, getting five field goals and holding his opponents to one.

Martin was in the game every minute, scoring 12 points and holding his opponents to two goals. Captain Holding led the scoring for Wake Forest, getting five field goals and four fouls out of seven chances.

UNRULY CHILDREN

A truant officer has declared that most such children who come under his observation are not properly nourished. Mal-assimilation of food makes children cross, puny, peevish and unruly. Our local druggist, Robert R. Bellamy, has in Vinol a reliable non-secret remedy for just such conditions, because it contains iron for the blood, and the medicinal extractives of fresh cod livers, aided by the blood, and the medicinal extractives of fresh cod livers, aided by the nourishing properties of beef peptone, and if it fails to make weak, puny, ailing youngsters healthy and good-natured, he will give back your money.

WILSON ASKS KITCHIN TO "SPEED UP" HOUSE

Anxious That Congress Adjourn Early in June.

Outstanding Features of Legislative Programme for Next Few Months Outlined, as Mr. Kitchin Foresees Them.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Agitation for greater congressional activity on the administration legislative programme received new impetus today when President Wilson asked Majority Leader Kitchin to "speed up" work on the House side of the Capitol and made arrangements for discussing the subject with other leaders of both houses tomorrow. The President is anxious that Congress finish its work and adjourn in June before the political conventions.

The outstanding features of the legislative programme for the next few months, as Mr. Kitchin foresees them, are:

A tariff commission bill will be reported by the Ways and Means committee.

No revenue measure is likely to be reported until after the Military and Naval committees bring in their bills. This may be weeks or months.

No new waterways projects and no new public building bills will be considered.

An anti-dumping clause for the tariff law may be reported later.

In addition the shipping bill and the Philippine bill are expected by other congressional leaders to attract much attention.

Senate committees contributed to the speeding up programme today, reporting favorably on the water power leasing and postal saving deposit increase measures. Senator Kern, majority leader, said tonight that conservation measures would be taken up as soon as the Philippine bill was passed.

Leaves Washington Tonight.

The President virtually had completed his preparations for leaving Washington tomorrow at midnight for New York, where he will speak Thursday afternoon and night. He said that all of the speeches in the Middle West would be extemporaneous, although he has carefully thought out their general tenor.

TO ADDRESS CLERGYMEN.

Will Begin Speaking for National Defense in New York.

New York, Jan. 25. — President Wilson, it was announced tonight, has consented to begin his campaign of speech-making for national defense here at noon Thursday by addressing the clerical conference of the New York Federation of Churches.

The President will be presented with an address signed by 3,500 clergymen in appreciation of his efforts for peace. The Rev. S. Edward Young, pastor of the Bedford Presbyterian church of Brooklyn, will preside.

NEGRO LYNCHED IN ALABAMA FOR ROBBING COUNTRY STORE

Was Caught by Woman and Her Brother—Taken by Mob Later.

Livingston, Ala., Jan. 25.—Richard Burton, aged 18, a negro, was lynched last night by a mob 13 miles from Boyd station, this county, and Lige Burton, his cousin, and Steve Knight, two other young negroes, are in jail here charged with burglary.

A store operated by Miss Kate Peale, near the scene of the lynching, has been robbed five times recently. Last night her brother discovered three negroes in the act of robbing the store again and he succeeded in capturing one, although the negro seriously cut him around the head, face and neck before being subdued. Miss Peale tied the negro while her brother held him. A neighbor started to Livingston with Burton but was overtaken a mile away and the negro hanged to a limb of a tree. Buckshot and pistol balls were fired into the body and the tree by the lynchers.

EFFORTS TO REDUCE COST OF FUEL FOR WARSHIPS.

Outlined to House Naval Committee by Rear Admiral McGowan.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Efforts of the Navy Department to cut down the cost of fuel and other materials used in maintenance or operation of warships were outlined to the House Naval committee today by Rear Admiral McGowan, paymaster general. He was questioned at length by committeemen in connection with the naval appropriation bill.

Admiral McGowan said oil was 50 per cent more efficient than coal as fuel for warships, but that at prevailing prices coal was cheaper for the Atlantic fleet. The reverse was true in the Pacific, he said, but opening of the Alaska coal fields by completion of the government railway there was expected again to make coal the logical fuel for the Pacific fleet. He said the department paid an average of 16 cents a gallon for the 800,000 gallons of gasoline used last year, but that prices now were soaring.

BE PRETTY! TURN GRAY HAIR DARK

Look Young! Nobody Can Tell if You Use Grandmother's Simple Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is mussy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.

COST OF ARMOR PLATE PLANT IS ESTIMATED

Figures Given Committee Differ Very Widely.

Rear Admiral Strauss Says $11,000,000 Will Build Plant With Capacity of 20,000 Tons—Others Higher.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Widely different estimates of the cost of building an armor plate plant and making armor were presented to the Senate naval committee today by naval officers and representatives of private manufacturers. The committee is considering Chairman Tillman's bill for the establishment of a government factory.

Rear Admiral Strauss, chief of the navy ordnance bureau, estimated that it would cost $11,000,000 to build an armor plant producing annually 20,000 tons. C. Dinkey, president of the Midvale Steel & Ordnance Co., testified that it would cost that much to build a 10,000 ton plant.

Admiral Strauss said he had figured the manufacturing cost of the government-produced armor would be $262 a ton. E. G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, insisted that this was too low and did not include allowances for depreciation. Mr. Dinkey said the armor his plant was turning out for the battleship Pennsylvania was costing $341 a ton.

Mr. Dinkey estimated it would take the government four years to build an armor plant, and Admiral Strauss said it would require over three years. Senator Tillman told the committee, however, that the new head of the bureau of yards and docks had reported that if the red tape of the Navy Department was cut he could build the plant in a year and a half.

Admiral Strauss suggested that in addition to insuring a reasonable cost of manufacturing, erection of a government plant might stimulate private manufacturers to the production of a better grade of armor.

The committee will vote on the Tillman bill next Tuesday.

BRITISH FORCES IN MESPOTAMIA SUFFER REVERSE

(Continued From Page One).

ish, the announcement says, left about 3,000 dead on the field.

4,000 TURKS CAPTURED

By the Russians in a Recent Battle, Says Petrograd Report.

London, Jan. 25.—Four thousand Turks, including fifty officers, were captured by the Russians in the recent battle in the neighborhood of Erzerum, according to a dispatch from Petrograd to Reuter's Telegram Company. The Russians are also said to have captured scores of machine guns and enormous quantities of munitions.

BOMBS DROPPED ON DUNKIRK

German Seaplane Forced to the Water by British Aircraft.

London, Jan. 25.—A British official from Dunkirk states that two aeroplanes dropped bombs on Dunkirk about 6 o'clock this morning. It is added that a German seaplane was forced to the water by a British machine northeast off Nieuport, about eight o'clock this morning.

DISARMING MONTENEGRINS

Difficult Task is Progressing Favorably Says Vienna.

Vienna, Jan. 24., via London, Jan. 25. —The disarmament of the Montenegrins, it is reporte dhere, is progressing favorably. Lack of communications, the nature of the country and unfavorable weather rendered it difficult than at first supposed.

The Austro-Hungarian military authorities, it is announced, are showing much consideration for the conquered people and have permitted the members of public safety organizations to retain arms, although Austro-Hungarian troops have already assumed police duties.

CATHEDRAL DESTROYED

By Artillery Fire of the Germans, According to Berlin Report.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 25.—The cathedral at Nieuport, says the German official statement issued this afternoon, has been destroyed by German artillery fire as it was offering an excellent observation post.

"The Templar tower and the cathedral of Nieuport which offered excellent observation posts for the enemy were destroyed," the statement reads. "East of Neuville our troops attacked one of the foremost trenches of the French, following some successful mine explosions and captured three machine guns and 100 prisoners. Several enemy counter attacks against the captured position went no further than a miserable effort. Only a few stout-hearted men left their trenches, and they were shot down."

SAYS THOUSANDS STARVING AND DYING FROM EXPOSURE

German and Austrian Prisoners in Russian Concentration Camps

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—Thousands of German and Austrian prisoners of war in Russian concentration camps in Siberia were described "as starving and dying from exposure" by F. W. Wakefield, of San Francisco, who arrived today from the Orient on the steamer Shinyo Harau. He traveled through Siberia after his marriage in Honolulu last summer to the former Mrs. John D. Spreckels, Jr., of San Francisco.

"When I was in Tchita, Siberia, last November," said Mr. Wakefield, "300 prisoners in a camp there already had died from exposure and insufficient food. Their condition was pitiable and the Russian government, I was told, could do nothing.

"There were about 38,000 prisoners there, shambling about with their German and Austrian uniforms in tatters. Some shielded themselves with animal skins. In all of Siberia, there were hundreds of thousands of prisoners. They must be given aid or thousands will die."

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 25.—John Proctor, the entry of A. L. Curtis, of Bolton, Texas, handled by O. H. Babcock, was tonight declared winner of the free for all stake of the National field trials club. This stake carried a purse of $1,500 to the winner, the largest stake paid by any field trials club in the United States or Canada.

The stamp placed over and seals the package, which keeps out air, thereby preserving the quality of the blended tobaccos. By inserting the fingers as illustrated, the stamp easily breaks without tearing the tin foil, which folds back into its place.

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BRITISH GOVERNMENT CHALLENGES FIGURES

Published by London Newspapers Concerning Imports.

Statements of the Morning Post and the Daily Mail Refuted in Lengthy Statement Issued by the Government.

London, Jan. 25.—In anticipation of tomorrow's important debate in the House of Commons on the blockade question, the British government today issued a four-column statement challenging and refuting statistics recently published in the Daily Mail and the Morning Post concerning what those newspapers have declared the hugely increased imports into the neutral countries of Holland and Scandinavia since the beginning of the war.

The statement is confined to minute and detailed figures covering all the ground dealt with by the Daily Mail and the Morning Post for the purpose of showing numerous cases in which errors have crept into the figures, or certain circumstances ignored; all of which tend to the great inflation of the figures as given by these journals.

Comparing the Morning Post's figures with the official British statistics of importations into Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland, the statement shows that, excluding imports for the Belgian relief committee into Holland, the imports of wheat and flour together were slightly lower in 1915 than in 1913.

Concerning cotton, figures are given showing that very large quantities of the staple were imported before the full effect of the order in council was felt, but it is stated that since April imports have been restricted to the normal quantities imported before the war. Thus, says the statement, the imports of the whole year of 1913 were 73,708 tons, and in 1915, 310,451 tons. For the period from May to December, inclusive, however, the figures as given by the statement are 49,139 tons in 1913 and 52,143 tons in 1915.

The statement says the Morning Post's statistics completely ignore the fact that in normal times all neutral European countries obtain great supplies from Germany and Russia. It is forgotten, the statement adds, that Russia annually exports 300,000,000 bushels of grain which must now come from other available sources.

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QUIT MEAT WHEN KIDNEYS BOTHER

Take a Glass of Salts Before Breakfast If Your Back Hurts or Bladder is Troubling You.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid, which excites the kidneys, they become overworked from the strain, get sluggish and fail to filter the waste and poisons from the blood, then we get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, dizziness, sleeplessness and urinary disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, stop eating meat and get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate the kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and active and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

CALOMEL DYNAMITES YOUR LIVER! MAKES YOU SICK AND SALIVATES

"Dodson's Liver Tone" Starts Your Liver Better Than Calomel and You Don't Lose a Day's Work

Liven up your sluggish liver! Feel fine and cheerful; make your work a pleasure; be vigorous and full of ambition. But take no nasty, dangerous calomel because it makes you sick and you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working; headache and dizziness gone; stomach will be sweet and bowels regular.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of Calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

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President's Proclamation

For The Aid Of The Stricken Jewish People

By the President of the United States of America:

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, I have received from the Senate of the United States a resolution, passed January 6, 1916, reading as follows:

"Whereas, as in the various countries now engaged in war there are nine millions of Jews, the great majority of whom are destitute of food, shelter and clothing and,

"Whereas, millions of them have been driven from their homes without warning, deprived of an opportunity to make provision for their elementary wants, causing starvation, disease and untold suffering; and,

"Whereas, the people of the United States of America have learned with sorrow of this terrible plight of millions of human beings and have most generously responded to the cry for help whenever such an appeal has reached them; therefore be it,

"Resolved, that, in view of the misery, wretchedness and hardships which these millions of Jews are suffering, the President of the United States be respectfully asked to designate a day on which the citizens of this country may give expression to the funds now being raised for the relief of the Jews in the war zones."

And, whereas, I feel confident that the people of the United States will be moved to aid the war stricken people of a race which has given to the United States so many worthy citizens:

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson. President of the United States, in compliance with the suggestion of the Senate thereof, do appoint and proclaim Thursday, January, 27, 1916, as a day upon which the people of the United States may make such contributions as they feel disposed for the aid of the STRICKEN JEWISH PEOPLE.

Contributions may be addressed to the American Red Cross, Washington, D. C., which will care for their proper distribution.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this eleventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth and fortieth.

WOODROW WILSON,

By the President, ROBERT LANSING, Secretary of State.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

Belief is the acceptance of a map. Faith is taking the voyage.

—DR. J. H. JOWETT.

If we but knew it, every failure is a valuable lesson.

Looks as if the 1916 routine is to cuss and discuss and to represent and misrepresent.

Probably the big meteor which fell in Ohio was opportunity looking for Senator Burton.

A man who hangs around on the street corners hates to get strung up when he goes home.

The old fashioned Democrats used to prevent centralization, but nobody seems to be keeping up their work.

Huerta never saluted the flag, but the poor old Indian lies in the ground and the flag floats around the world.

A certain unseen monster is more awful than the sea serpent. It is what Shakespeare called "the green-eyed monster."

Reuben, Reuben, I've been thinking what a fine world this would be if demagogues would go slinking for beyond the Arctic sea.

A scientist says 70 per cent. of the human body is water, but he does not state what proportion of it is firewater in territory that isn't dry.

There be sticklers as to standing on party platforms, but it's Uncle Hiram's idea that it's more important to sit down on some of their nominees.

When a Republican is mentioned for president and forthwith disclaims any aspiration along that line, other aspirants consider him one of their friends.

The supreme court of Wisconsin has decided that it is libelous for one man to call another Judas. Perhaps the court thinks it is more polite to call a fellow Benedict Arnold.

The beginning of wisdom is realization of the fact that, compared with the things we think we know, there are hundreds of things we don't know but have a chance to know.

Besides saying that the American people love to be humbugged, the late P. T Barnum spoke this everlasting truth: "Politness and civility are the best capital ever invested in business."

A "non-partisan" tariff commission composed of two Republicans, two so-called protection Democrats and one Progressive would suit those who are clamoring for a tariff commission. —Jacksonville Times-Union.

Says the Charleston News and Courier: "George von L. Meyer says the navy has no brain. Did it have one when Mr. Meyer was at its head?" Sure, it did, but it didn't measure up to that of those who got contracts out of the navy while it was asleep at the switch.

Chambers of commerce are being asked to endorse several things that will be political issues this year. As non-partisan bodies, chambers of commerce will have to closecly scan everything presented for their favor.

A Republican urges intervention in Mexico because Carranza's army is unable to stop the murder of Americans. Even an American army of intervention could not stop the killing of Americans. It could kill some Mexicans and the Mexicans could kill some more Americans. War is it, any way you take it.

President Wilson no doubt is cognizant of the fact that most of the advice he gets comes from independent sources. The independents are first with the Republicans and then with the Democrats, and in either instance they are disappointed if the administration is either Republican or Democratic.

THE TENANT SYSTEM AND RURAL CREDITS.

One of the most important pieces of legislation before Congress is a Democratic measure which proposes to provide for rural credits through the establishment of land banks in which owners of land can get credit at the same rate of interest as other business interests secure loans for their development. Commerce and Finance recently spoke in high terms of this bill and held to the view that its passage would be a progressive step towards making land a bankable asset. It will be a step in the right direction, anyhow, and later on its defects, if any, can be remedied by amendment or further legislation.

We have seen only a synopsis of the bill, but if it is lacking in a universal system of registration of land titles, its operation in forty-odd states will be somewhat complicated. If land is to become a bankable asset it will have to be a security free of encumbrances, so that if legal fees have to be paid for title examination every time a land owner wants to borrow money from a bank, that would add to the cost of borrowing money for land development or for the purposes of agriculture. A Federal land bank act would have to be uniform in all its features in order to apply to all the states, and if a Democratic Congress can give the country such a financial measure it will be as much a monument to the party as the Federal Reserve banking act that has done so much for America.

Of course, any banking system which makes land approved security for loans must provide for making that security safe by registration of bona fide title of ownership. Probably the act before Congress contains provisions to cover all that, else its practical operation will have to disclose its weak spots so they may be remedied, if the act is to be what it ought to be and what the country needs.

It is a difficult problem to reach all the interests requiring credit in this country. Credit cannot possibly be provided for a man who has no assets entitling him to credit. The tenant class, for instance, can only get bank credit through the land owners themselves, and yet that is a large and continually growing class in this country. The growth of the tenant system is getting to be a problem in the South as well as throughout the entire country. This is fast getting to be a tenant country in about the same way that peonage got fastened on Mexico, sooner or later to produce such a nation-wide condition that it has plunged the country into a bloody revolution lasting several years and not ended yet.

The concentration of land in the hands of the few has brought about a grave problem in Mexico, and that problem will be a serious one for statesmanship after the warring factions quit fighting over the problem, largely one of humanity. Any taxation measure naturally bears on any tenantry system, whether it be rural or urban, and the legislatures are being confronted by it. The South Carolina legislature is now considering some such bill, doubtless as to rural tenants only, as may be inferred from this editorial in the Columbia State:

"It is not less essential to the prosperity of South Carolina that cotton mill workers and other wage earners living in or near towns and cities own homes than that farmers own them. Indeed, we suppose that the tenant classes are increasing even more rapidly among the urban than among the rural people. Whatever measures shall be undertaken to solve the tenancy problem by legislation should provide for the town and city tenants. A simple and just step that ought to be taken in this direction would be the compelling of owners of unimproved suburban real estate to carry at least a fair share of the tax load. Nearly all lands are held at abnormally high prices and that, more than anything else, is the explanation of the increase of tenancy. So long as it shall be cheaper to rent than to own lands, why buy them? Meanwhile lands that are wholly unproductive are held at these high prices for a speculative rise and this their owners are able to do by reason of the low taxes they pay. Whenever we cease to make and enforce laws in the interest of land speculators, home ownership will increase and at a rate greater than any likely to be caused by rural credits legislation. Has the state of South Carolina the intelligence or the disposition to enact and enforce a fair and scientific system of assessment and taxation?"

The foregoing is a very brief but pointed editorial, and between the lines it offers tremendous scope for thought throughout America, and particularly in the South. The State makes a plea for the tenant class in the city as well as in the country, and there is direct as well as indirect reference to a sinister system that is rapidly growing in our states. Indeed, it is well to make sure of the intelligence necessary to handle such a broad and grave question.

As to taxation's falling upon tenants, whether they rent land in the country or in the city, they cannot avoid paying the taxes on rented property whether it be a farm or a residence. The owner figures on getting his taxes, repair expense, and possibly insurance out of his property, before he even gets a net income from it. That is reasonable, when the landlord is satisfied with a reasonable income from his land or his house, but it must be borne in mind that the higher the landlord's tax the higher will be the tax on the tenant, who is rather in the position of the ultimate consumer or the man who pays Jones' freight so Jones "he" can claim that "Jones he pays the freight." Owing to the ramifications of taxation, it is inevitable that high taxation on any class is high taxation on every class. Especially does the landlord class hand its tax on down to the tenant class.

What we have to look forward to is a system of equitable taxation and a credit system that will not tend to increase the tenant evil, for low taxes and ability to get credit as cheap as any other class is what enables people to own homes or farms of their own. A high tax on home owning or farm owning would mean an increase of the tenant class.

THE TRUTH ABOUT WATERWAYS.

Senator Burton, of Ohio, is a very estimable gentleman and it must be admitted that he is a formidable aspirant for the presidential nomination at the hands of the Republicans. We have long entertained the idea that he is about the most available man the G. O. P. has and if he is not the nominee we will be surprised. However, it will not help his chances for the nomination and for the presidency for him to reverse his former strong position on the development of American waterways. The senator first attracted our attention as one of the safest and soundest champions of the improvement of our waterways, so we are sorry that the "pork barrel" bugaboo, so widely discussed by American papers without true knowledge of the facts as to waterways, doubtless led the senator to make a serious attack on waterways in an article in Munsey's Magazine for January.

More's the pity because Senator Joseph E. Ransdell, of Louisiana, president of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, has replied to the Ohio statesman in a way that places the distinguished gentleman in an admittedly bad predicament. In fact, Senator Burton, at one time in recent years considered the leading champion of waterway improvement, has had his own ammunition fired back at him by the able Louisiana senator.

Senator Ransdell presents the waterways side of it and his article in the Manufacturers' Record of recent date is a masterful answer to Senator Burton. The Louisiana senator presents indisputable facts and figures clearly showing that Senator Burton's article in Munsey's is full of misleading statements, possibly due altogether to a change of heart that is grievous to us. We are especially sorry, because years ago Senator Burton's position on waterways improvements caused us to rank him as one of the country's big men, which he is, regardless of the fact that Senator Ransdell felt impelled to tear down his anti-waterways playhouse.

Senator Ransdell, in his article in the Manufacturers Record, written at the request of the editor, makes a comprehensive and exceedingly thorough reply to Senator Burton's attack on the present plan of improving rivers and harbors. It is a subject with which the Louisiana senator is thoroughly familiar and he certainly has succeeded by documentary evidence in refuting the Ohio statesman's arguments and statements out of the mouth of Senator Burton himself. For instance, Senator Ransdell says in his reply:

"Mr. Burton speaks of 'the continual waste of public funds for political purposes under the guise of improving our rivers and harbors,' and adds:

"An item of $50,000 or even $100,000 attracts no particular attention in a river and harbor bill. Indeed, it is generally felt that a Congressional district is entitled to that much recognition of its existence and the vote goes almost unnoticed through the House and Senate. * * * We must eliminate the Congressional district apportionment from their makeup." And later he calls attention to:

"The waste and extravagance which have brought disrepute to the annual 'pork barrel' bills."

"These statements are pure fictions, without any foundation in fact, and the warrant for them exists solely in Mr. Burton's fertile imagination.

"River and harbor legislation is more carefully safeguarded than any other enacted by Congress. It is surrounded by a system of checks and balances, as I will show later, which make it practically impossible for any unworthy project to be considered, and no river and harbor project has been authorized under the present system that was not possessed of genuine merit. Congressional districts are not considered in preparing river and harbor bills, but each project rests upon its own merits, as shown in the reports of the United States Army Engineers. River and harbor bills are not pork barrel bills; they are Commerce Builders.

"Mr. Burton, in making these charges of 'waste', 'political influence,' 'Congressional district apportionment,' and 'pork', occupies a peculiarly paradoxical position, for in my 16 years in Congress I have never heard more splendid and convincing refutations of such slanders than those which fell from the lips of Mr. Burton himself. He is a Presidential candidate now, and perhaps he sees through a glass darkly, but for many years, when chairman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House, he was considered the best informed and most influential man in America on waterways. I shall let Chairman Burton reply to Presidential Candidate Burton.

"In 1902, Congressional Record, Volume 35, page 2911), in defending the rivers and harbors bill of that year on the floor of the House, Chairman Burton said: 'We have pursued no plan of compromise. We have considered no plan of dividing appropriations according to States or localities or membership in this House. We have endeavored to consider every project according to its merits, and made that the sole criterion as to whether it should be included in the bill or not.'

"In December, 1909, addressing the convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, of which I was president, Senator Burton (see convention proceedings, page 108), said:

"'My friends, the president of this congress will say to you that we have known no North, no South, no East, no West in the years we have been together. We have taken up projects according to the measure of their merit, and I can vouch that members of the committee in many instances have leaned over backward where their own localities were involved, and have given closer attention to projects in other places. * * * You have had to meet the idea that there is a pork barrel somewhere. Whenever there is a man of superficial information on this subject, or one who has had some project that has been turned down, that man begins to talk about the pork barrel. There has been no line of appropriations made by this Government more carefully guarded than appropriations for rivers and harbors. * * * I challenge anyone to cite an instance where that bill has ever been made up to gratify certain localities or to advance the interests of some member of Congress in the House or Senate. * * * There has been no log rolling, no pork barrel, no regard for individual prospects or anything of the sort, no regard for any particular locality in the country.'

"Nothing I can say can more effectively refute the charges of Candidate Burton than his own clear and convincing statements just quoted."

That is a deadly parallel, to be sure, but it is not the only one, for there are many of Senator Burton's own words that come back at him in refutation of himself. Senator Ransdell's article certainly emphasizes his own declaration that "river and harbor bills are not pork barrel bills; they are commerce builders."

Some of the leading newspapers in this country are responsible for playing up the pork barrel idea to a hurtful point. In a half dozen Southern and Northern papers recently there were attacks on the "pork barrel" and in some of those same papers there were strong articles urging local waterway and harbor improvement. Some of those very editors will have their own "pork barrel" articles hurled back at them when their senators and representatives ask for reasonable appropriations for meritorious rivers and harbors projects.

Only a few days ago in a certain highly esteemed contemporary, published in a very important Southern city, it went for the "pork barrel," and to our own knowledge $1,000,000 spent on its waterway would be a reasonable expenditure to give that city the benefit of water transportation.

A TARIFF COMMISSION

It is to laugh that President Wilson and many leading Democrats are in favor of a National tariff commission, non-partisan but technical and economic in its purpose and objects. Republicans have long favored a tariff commission. They favor it very strongly when there is fear that there is likelihood of a Democratic Congress that is liable to "tinker with the tariff." The Republicans think the tariff is their own pie and that it is sacrilege for low tariff Democrats to menace the sacred doctrine of protection.

With the President, Senator Gore and others advocating a tariff commission, it is likely to make the Republicans sit up and say: "We fear the Greeks bearing gifts." However, the President is in earnest, and recently Senator Gore delivered a strong tariff commission address before the Merchants' Association of New York. Among other things the Oklahoma Senator said, in advocacy of a permanent tariff commission:

"One word touching an important detail. The commission should consist of an even number of commissioners—say six. Not more than three of these should be of any one political party. To make the number odd you impeach in advance either its capacity or its sincerity. It would indicate that an odd number is necessary to cast a deciding vote, to avoid a deadlock. If the commission's work is to be just and scientific, it will generally be unanimous. If its work is to be unscientific and partisan, let it divide half and half and thus unmask its incompetency and unfitness. An even number would be a mark of confidence and would be an added assurance of its fitness and efficiency. The business men of America have a right to ask the establishment of such a commission at the hands of Congress. It is not flattery, but justice, to say that they have contributed their full share to the development, progress, and prosperity of the New World. It is not prophecy, it is simply coming events casting their light before, to say that they will contribute their full share to that splendid destiny which the future holds in reserve for this Republic."

We rather think we can sum up the tariff commission idea in the way of stating that the Democrats favor a Democrats tariff commission and don't want any Republican tariff commission, while the Republicans want a Republican tariff commission constructed solely in the house of the friends of protection. It is possible for Democrats and Republicans to agree on a tariff commission that would really take the tariff out of politics and make it the strictly scientific and economic question that it actually is?

TRAIN SERVICE ON W. & W.

Now that the railroads throughout the country have and are recovering from the European war conditions, in consideration of which the public readily assented to a curtailment of service for the sake of economy at the time, there is interest in the report from our Mount Olive correspondent that public sentiment along the Atlantic Coast Line between Goldsboro and Wilmington, is rapidly crystallizing in favor of restoration of the regular service on trains 90 and 91 between Goldsboro and Wilmington.

Wilmington, too, is particularly concerned in the restoration of these trains as affording the only outlet from this city to the State at large, with the facilities to return the same day, and because the restoration of this service would advance practically all mails at the Wilmington postoffice a number of hours. It always has been one of the seven wonders of railroading out of Wilmington that while early morning trains out of Wilmington on the Seaboard Air Line, between Wilmington and Hamlet, and on the Atlantic Coast Line, between Wilmington and Florence, are among the best paying trains out of here, a similar train on the Wilmington and Weldon has always been proclaimed a money loser by the railroad people.

Operated upon any kind of reasonable accommodations for the traveling public, trains 90 and 91 on the Atlantic Coast Line would soon become as popular with the travelers as are companion trains on the other two lines named. This fact was strongly apparent when the service was finally granted some years ago at the behest of the United Commercial Travelers and the people generally along the Wilmington-Goldsboro section of the Wilmington and Weldon.

It is hoped that the transportation officials of the A. C. L., will, in the exercise of their usual sound discretion, make unnecessary the threatened action of the people along the line, for we are told that the patrons of the Coast Line have missed these trains very much since their discontinuance and, with the restoration of practically normal business conditions, they now feel that these trains should be restored; and, unless the Coast Line restores these trains of its own initiative, its patrons will at a very early date petition the Corporation Commission to have them restored. In fact, mass meetings in several of the towns between Goldsboro and Wilmington, in the interest of this matter, to be held at a very early date, are now being talked of.

A KICK!

To the Editor of The Star:

Polonius says:

"'Tis true; 'tis true 'tis pity,
And pity 'tis 'tis true."

The Postoffice Park bears the aspect of a circus ground after the show. It were preferable to have been left in a state of desuetude than to have been laid out only to pronounce the lack of appreciation in which this, the only intra-city park, is held. Waste paper on the grass—in the hedges—soaking in the fountain and blowing in the air. Bald spots on all the corners of the concrete walks. The grass choked with weeds, the shrubbery neglected, the benches unshod, unstable and rusty. The fountain a breeding pool for mosquitoes, and the whole place with a neglected air. In other respects it is a park.

Would it not have been preferable as a plain, well kept grass plot such as the government maintained, rather than this neglected affectation?

And yet—to one who has ears to hear nature's voice—the daffodils, jonquils, tulips and crocuses are calling throughout the land in every well kept park; their advent is looked forward to with all the delightful anticipation of spring.

"—there's a sense of blossoms yet unborn
In the sweet airs of morn,
One almost looks to see the very street
Grow purple at his feet.

"At times a fragrant breeze comes floating by,
And brings, you know not why,
A feeling as when eager crowds await
Before a palace gate.

"Some wondrous pageant; and you scarce would start,
If from a beech's heart,
A blue-eyed Dryad stepped forth, and should say
'Behold me! I am May!'"

GEORGE P. COTCHETT.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star paragraphist says that there are yet alive some folks who will believe that "it will come out in the wash." Yea, bo, and there are also a few deluded specimens of humanity who are still hanging on to the idea that the world is flat.—New Bern Sun-Journal.

North Carolina is more disturbed about the lynching of one negro than is Georgia over the two frightful outbursts of passion which have just disgraced that State afresh. In this there is a measure of encouragement, for the concern of North Carolina invites the hope that the time is not so distant after all when the attitude of Virginia toward lynching will be that of the entire South. Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama are the arch offenders now, though Georgia is so much worse than any other State that it is an offense to the others to name her in the same breath. Almost a third of all the lynching which took place in all United State last year were perpetrated in Georgia; and the way she has started out in 1916 is ominous. The "Empire State of the South" is making a black record for herself.—Charleston News and Courier.

FASTEST WAR AEROPLANE YET

Constructed for United States Navy—Shipped to Florida.

Marblehead, Mass., Jan. 25.—The first war seaplane purchased by the United States navy, claimed by the builders to be the fastest yet constructed for aero-marine service here or abroad, was shipped today to the trial grounds at Pensacola, Florida. The machine, required by contract to speed 80 miles o nhour in the air, will carry a 1,000 pound load four hours if the specifications are met.

Special Mention

Of a Few of the Extraordinary Values to be Found in Our Store, During the January Clearance Sale.

Unusually Low Prices in Every Department

All Ladies' Suits and Dresses Going at ONE-HALF to ONE-THIRD Their Former Price. Every Lady Should Take Advantage of These Extremely Low Prices.

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DISCUSS PRELIMINARY PLANS FOR BIG REVIVAL

First Meeting of General Committee on Arrangements.

Representative Business Men and Ministers Arranging for Chapman-Alexander Meetings—To Build Tabernacle.

The first meeting of the general committee, representing the various Protestant churches of Wilmington, was held yesterday at noon at the Y. M. C. A. to formulate plans for the Chapman-Alexander meetings which are to be held in this city beginning April 9th and ending May 14th.

The meeting was largely attended, there being more than one hundred men present. It was called to order by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, president of the Wilmington Ministerial Union, who stated the object of the gathering. Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells was unanimously elected as president of the committee and Mr. H. E. Bonitz was selected as secretary.

Dr. Wells stated that the pastors and committee of laymen from the various churches had been invited to meet in order to discuss ways and means of conducting the Chapman-Alexander meetings. In response to a request from Dr. Wells, Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' church, told of his personal acquaintance with Dr. Chapman and his methods of conducting revivals and said he felt sure that the famous evangelist would not only give universal satisfaction but that all denominations would be pleased with the Godly manner in which his meetings are conducted. He paid a splendid tribute to Dr. Chapman and his coworker, Mr. Alexander.

After the names of the committees from the different churches had been named, Dr. Wells explained the mode of procedure as outlined in a little booklet entitled "A Community Made Ready," published by Dr. Chapman. Dr. Wells said it was desired to have an executive committee and suggested that it consist of one minister and one layman from each denomination. Upon motion of George B. Elliot, Esq., this suggestion was adopted and the committee on nominations recommended the following as the executive committee:

Baptist churches—Rev. J. A. Sullivan, D. H. Fenton.

Episcopal churches—Rev. W. E. Cox, C. C. Chadbourn.

Lutheran churches, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, H. E. Bonitz.

Methodist churches—Rev. J. H. Shore, Ed L. Prince.

Presbyterian churches—Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, W. H. Sprunt.

Christian churches—Rev. J. E. Reynolds, L. E. Allen.

Upon motion these ministers and laymen were elected as members of the committee. Upon motion Bishop Thos. C. Darst, Presiding Elder L. E. Thompson and General Secretary J. B. Huntington were made members of the general committee.

It was also suggested and unanimously approved by the general committee that the ministers of the county be requested to participate in the meetings and, if they have not done so already, to appoint laymen to represent the churches on the general committee.

Immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the general committee, the executive committee was called to order and upon motion of Mr. D. H. Penton, the officers of the general committee were also made officers of the executive committee.

Messrs. D. H. Penton and C. C. Chadbourn were appointed a committee to select a location for the erection of the tabernacle in which the meetings will be held. They are to make report at a meeting of the committee on Friday of this week. After some discussion it was decided to have a tabernacle that will seat not less than 3,500 people. Several locations have been suggested for the tabernacle, among them being the Custom House site on the river front, the site for the new High School building on Market street, the vacant lot at Tenth and Market streets and at Winoca Terrace.

The members of the general committee as reported at the meeting yesterday are as follows:

Calvary Baptist church—Rev. J. A. Sullivan, C. Y. DeVaun, O. B. Hinnant.

Bladen Methodist church—Rev. J. P. Pate, (committee to be appointed later)

St. Matthew's Lutheran church—Rev. G. W. McClanahan, G. F. Seitters, W. M. Otersen, W. W. Koch.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church—Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, W. H. Sprunt, Newton Fisher, A. W. McNair.

St. Paul's Lutheran church—Rev. F. B. Clausen, H. E. Bonitz, F. E. Hashagen, M. G. Tiencken.

Trinity Methodist church—Rev. M. B. McRae, W. R. Yopp, J. H. Beery, E. L. Prince.

St. Paul's Episcopal church—No representative.

St. James' Episcopal church—Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton, J. A. Taylor, George Elliott, C. C. Chadbourn.

St. John's Episcopal church—Rev. W. E. Cox, H. F. Wilder, W. H. Yopp, W. D. Baxter.

Grace Methodist church—Rev. M. T. Fiyler, R. C. Merritt, Robert Ruark, I. W. Cooper.

First Baptist church—Rev. W. M. Craig, Neal McEachern, D. H. Penton, John R. Hanby.

First Presbyterian church—Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, Col. Walker Taylor, J. A. Springer, W. M. Cumming.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church—Rev. J. H. Shore, H. S. McGirt, R. C. Fergus, M. C. Cowell.

Immanuel Presbyterian church—Rev. J. S. Crowley; committee not appointed.

Dock Street Christian church—Rev. J. E. Reynolds, H. A. DeCover, L. E. Allen, Geo. Huband.

Good Shepherd Episcopal church—Rev. W. R. Noe; committee not appointed.

Southside Baptist church—Rev. W. G. Hall, C. Walter Johnson, J. S. Canady, J. M. Batson.

Presbyterian church, Winter Park—Rev. A. J. Howell, G. C. McIntyre, E. W. Jones, G. W. Shepard.

Presbyterian church, Delgado—Mr. W. A. Woods.

Presbyterian church at East Wilmington—Rev. H. W. Koelling.

Baptist church, Winter Park—Rev. J. A. Clark, J. Stevenson Brown, Dr. D. P. High, W. O. Page.

Methodist church, Winter Park—Rev. J. H. Miller.

—Owing to the absence of Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., the president, the annual meeting of the Associated Charities, which was to have been held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, was postponed until Tuesday of next week at the same hour. Dr. McClure has been called to Tennessee to attend the funeral of a nephew.

DR. C. P. BOLLES RESIGNS

Press of Increasing Professional Duties Prevents Him Giving Time as Member of Health Board.

Dr. Chas. P. Bolles, for the past three years a valued member of the consolidated city and county Board of Health, has tendered to Chairman W. A. McGirt his resignation as a member of that body, accompanying it with a letter stating that on account of his increasing professional duties he finds it impossible to give to the public office the necessary time and attention it demands.

Mr. McGirt has had Dr. Bolles' resignation for several days, but no announcement of the matter was made until yesterday. The resignation will be brought before the Board of Health officially at the next monthly meeting, and while all members of the body recognize the hardships that would be imposed upon Dr. Bolles in the event he continues to occupy the office, yet so highly do they value his counsel and advice that it is not altogether improbable that he will be asked to reconsider the matter. Chairman McGirt, when seen last evening, stated that if the resignation was accepted, such would be taken with great reluctance, and he spoke in the highest terms of Dr. Bolles fine work as a member of the board during the past three years.

In the event Dr. Bolles' resignation is accepted, a vacancy will be created, and this, under the law, will be filled by the board appointing another member from among the physicians of the city. The act creating the Consolidated Board of Health specifies that two of the members shall be physicians. The membership of the body, as it is at present constituted, is as follows: Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, W. A. McGirt, chairman, Mayor P. Q. Moore; Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction, and the two medical members, Dr. John B. Cranmer and Dr. C. P. Bolles.

Dr. Bolles' letter to Chairman McGirt is as follows:

"Mr. W. A. McGirt, Chairman Board of Health, City.

"Dear Mr. McGirt: On account of increasing duties, I find it impossible to give as much time as I would like to the Board of Health, and I therefore herewith tender you my resignation. Assuring you and the other members of my continued interest in the work of the department, I am,

"Sincerely yours,

"CHARLES P. BOLLES."

The public will learn of Dr. Bolles' resignation with regret, but whatever action is taken in the matter by the board he will continue to have the esteem and regard of all who know him, for one and all they recognize the value of his service to the community in his capacity as a member of the Board of Health, as well as a private citizen.

"GEN." SCOTT STANFORD DEAD.

Well Known Eastern Carolina Citizen Died at Kenansville, N. C.

A telegram yesterday to Mr. Jos. C. Shepard, of this city, brought to a host of friends in Wilmington news of the death of "General" Scott Stanford, as he was familiarly known throughout this section of the State, which occurred yesterday noon at his home in Kenansville, N. C., after only a brief illness with la grippe and complications which ensued.

Mr. Stanford was about 66 years of age and perhaps no citizen of Duplin was known better than he. He was never married and for the past several years had kept the hotel in Kenansville, a genial, whole-souled host, whose acquaintance and friendship was valued highly by those who fell under the influence of his genial and kindly personality. He had lived his entire life in Duplin. A close student of current affairs, with an abiding and deep interest in politics, a quick and keen intellect, ability to express himself in just the right way at the right time, he was perhaps quoted more widely than any citizen of his county. He frequently visited Wilmington and was at all times surrounded by a coterie of congenial spirits, who liked to hear him discourse upon events generally and to get his views upon this or that question before the people. His death will come with the deepest regret to a host of friends not only here, but all over this section of Eastern Carolina.

Mr. Stanford is survived by one brother, Mr. Clay Stanford, of Duplin, and four half-sisters, all residing at Hamlet, N. C., these being Mrs. Ida Boykin, Mrs. O. T. Goodwin, Mrs. Ed Love and Mrs. Bettie Meares. A number of members of the family and friends from all over this section of the State will attend the funeral which will be held at Kenansville at 12 o'clock noon, today.

COLORED MINISTERS MEET.

Rev. Clinton D. Hazel, of Newbern, Delivers Pleasing Address.

The second anniversary celebration of the Wilmington union of colored ministers opened last night in St. Luke's A. M. E. Zion church, corner Seventh and Church streets, with an address by Rev. Clinton D. Hazel, of Newbern, N. C. Rev. C. T. Walker, D. D., of Augusta, Ga., was to have delivered the address but was unable to attend, much to the regret of the colored people of the city. However, in his absence Rev. Clinton D. Hazel delivered an address which was considered by his hearers as a masterful discourse, and delighted an audience reported to have numbered more than 1,200 people.

The celebration will continue through tonight when it will be concluded by services which will include an address and a musicale. The officers of the union are: General committee, Dr. A. J. Wilson, president; Dr. J. H. Rowe, vice president; Rev. J. C. Scarboro, chairman; J. H. Reid, secretary, with W. A. Clapp, assistant. Finance committee, Rev. W. H. Moore, chairman, and Rev. Francis Lee, secretary.

GET OFF AT MONTAGUE.

Those Attending Baptist Union Meeting Will be Met There.

All persons expecting to attend the Union Baptist meeting at Bear Creek church in Pender county which will be in session Saturday and Sunday, are requested to inform a member of the committee of their intention and, if they come by rail, they will be met at Montague and conveyed to the church. The members of the committee are as follows: Mr. F. J. Moore, Currie; Mr. W. H. White, Montague, and Mr. D. J. Lewis, Montague.

Mr. Geo. E. Leftwich, moderator of the Wilmington Baptist Association, is looking forward to a splendid meeting. Preparations are being made on an elaborate scale for entertaining the visitors. It is hoped that all expecting to attend will please notify a member of the committee, particularly if they expect to go by rail.

ROTARIANS DIVIDED ON PILOTAGE QUESTION

Referred to Special Committee to Make Report Later.

Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt Tells Boosters About Public Health Work—To Ask City Council to Invite President Wilson.

While there was unanimity of opinion on the part of the two score Rotarians who attended the noon luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday that President Wilson be extended an invitation to visit Wilmington when he makes his speaking tour through the South this spring, all were not agreed that it would be wise to endorse Congressman Small's bill prohibiting compulsory pilotage for barges towed by steam vessels and the latter was referred to a special committee for investigation with the request that a report be submitted at a later meeting.

Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, was present by special invitation and made an instructive and interesting address on public health work. There were a number of other matters taken up, but all of them were referred to committees.

Each Rotarian was duly labeled yesterday by Mr. Paul B. Bell with a large badge on which was inscribed an illustration of wheel, the emblem of the organization, upon a white background and around which was inscribed the name and occupation of the wearer. Beneath this were the words, Service before self," and on the border were the words, "Wilmington—The Gateway Port of North Carolina."

Other guests of the club for the luncheon were Rev. F. B. Clausen and Rev. W. V. McRae. They were allowed to make their own introduction which they did most gracefully.

President Roger Moore presided and served as toastmaster, this being the first meeting since his election. He was enthusiastically applauded when he declared that he expected every member of the club to live up to the rules of the organization.

Mr. W. A. McGirt reported that arrangements were being made for a good roads meeting to be held in Pender county in the Long Creek section early in the spring, this being the result of the splendid meeting held at Burgaw some time ago as a result of the agitation by the Rotary Club in behalf of an improved highway from Wilmington to Fayetteville. He also stated that he had received encouraging letters from several State officers with reference to the proposed highway.

Upon motion of Mr. E. P. Bailey, who pointed out the necessity of Wilmington pushing her claims for her share of the river and harbor appropriation from Congress, President Moore was authorized to appoint a committee to take up this question.

Upon motion of Mr. D. H. Howes, Jr., President Moore was also authorized to appoint a committee to go before the City Council and request that an invitation be extended President Wilson to visit Wilmington. The Rotary Club will get behind this question and every effort be made to have the President come to this city for an address.

The committee appointed to consider the pilotage question is composed of Messrs. C. C. Covington, E. P. Bailey, Milton Calder, E. L. White and Chas. W. Rodgers.

Secretary Meares Harriss brought the question of endorsing the Small bill before the club, and pointed out that in his opinion there was a need of a change with the opening up of the inland waterway, the charging of pilotage fees on barges when several are being towed by one vessel, works a hardship and would mean a retardment of the commercial possibilities of the port.

Mr. E. P. Bailey opposed the endorsing of the bill because he felt that since there are so few big vessels coming into the port, that it is hard for the pilots to secure enough to live on and yet it is necessary to have pilots at the mouth of the river to pilot big vessels whenever they come into this port. He thought it nothing but right that the Northern companies operating barges should pay their pro rata share of keeping up the port and pointed out that they are already relieved of paying harbor fees.

Mr. C. C. Covington declared that in his opinion this was the most important question that the Rotary Club would have to consider in ten years. He spoke of the difficulty he had had in securing cargoes of molasses from West Indian ports and said that right now he was unable to charter a schooner and could not get barges to come here. He thought that something ought to be done to reduce the charges and to make it advantageous for barges to come here instead of going to New York. Incidentally Mr. Covington condemned severely the Justice freight rate bill and showed how it had proven a great detriment to his business.

He had been greatly impressed with the motto of the Rotary Club, "He profits most who serves best," declared Dr. Nesbitt in his address which was heard with close attention. President Moore had referred to the splendid public health work that has been done in New Hanover county and pointed out how it is now regarded as the model county of the South and declared that to Dr. Nesbitt was due most of the credit. Dr. Nesbitt disclaimed the credit for having done but a small part but stated that it was due to a small group of men who had put service before profit and who realized the importance of having good health for all the citizens of the city. The commercial advantages of the city had already been developed but commerce is secondary to the opportunity for healthful living.

There are too few men who are able to correlate God's plan of inter-relation of things with the human inter-relations for by far the greater part of mankind is kept busy trying to correlate things purely from the human standpoint, said Dr. Nesbitt. There is only one thing that brings man to his highest efficiency and that is to so adjust himself that there will be no discord. God made a clean world and he created all living matter for a specific purpose but man has messed up things. Man has done this by displacing material matter. A scheme for readjusting things has sprung up, said the doctor, and this is called public health work. It has for its object to teach men the rules of the game.

Dr. Nesbitt then reviewed some of the things that have been undertaken, referring first to gradual abolishment of the surface closets which has reduced typhoid fever and other diseases of similar nature greatly. Malaria is another disease that has been greatly lessened. He referred to the work done in getting rid of the mosquitto. He discussed at some length the water supply of the city and declared that it is the best obtainable not only here but in any city of the South. He spoke in the highest praise of the Red Cross Tuberculosis Sanitarium and declared that if ever a good thing happened in Wilmington, it is this institution.

DR. W. A. BROWN WILL SPEAK

Noted Sunday School Leader Will Make Address at Mass Meeting Tonight—Other Conferences.

The officers of the Wilmington Sunday School Association state that all indications are for a large attendance at the rallies to be held today to hear Dr. William A. Brown, field secretary of the International Sunday School Association. All denominations of the city are co-operating in an effort to make the meetings a tremendous success. Each church will be well represented at the 4 o'clock workers' meeting at the First Baptist church this afternoon. The large auditorium of the First Baptist church is expected to be filled to its capacity at the mass meeting to be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Brown is said by all who have heard him to be one of the most powerful, eloquent and entertaining speakers they have ever heard either on religious or other subjects. While his headquarters are in Chicago, Ill., Dr. Brown's territory is the North American continent and he traverses its wide areas many times each year, being in much demand at convention and city rallies on account of his potent oratory and profound knowledge of religious problems, especially those pertaining to Sunday schools.

Wilmington Sunday school workers are congratulating themselves that the city association was successful in getting Dr. Brown to stop over today en route from Georgia to Nova Scotia as they are confident that even this short stay will mean a great impetus to the already rapidly developing Sunday school work of the community.

The meetings today will be presided over by Mr. G. A. P. Bowman, president of the City Sunday School Association. Rev. J. Walter Long, of Greensboro, secretary of the State Sunday School Association, who will accompany Dr. Brown, will introduce the speaker. In addition to the afternoon and night meetings there will be a supper at the Y. M. C. A. to which all the pastors and Sunday school superintendents have been invited. After supper Dr. Brown will speak on personal work.

At the evening meeting there will also be two delightful musical numbers which have been arranged by Miss Cannie Chatten, organist at the First Baptist church.

CAROLINA BUILDING AND LOAN HAS ANNUAL MEETING

Reports of Officers Shows Splendid Progress During Past Year.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Building & Loan Association was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the office of the secretary, No. 123 Princess street. This is a young institution, having just completed its fourth year, but already has assets amounting to $81,184 and during the past year its receipts were $63,883 and its net profits were $6,314.

President E. T. Taylor in his report to the stockholders called attention to the splendid progress made for the year, a net gain of $22,000 having been in its assets and spoke especially of the highly satisfactory way in which Mr. L. W. Moore, the secretary, had conducted the affairs of the association.

Secretary Moore in his report stated that every request for loans had been met promptly and pointed out how the institution had been of great service to its stockholders.

The stock-holders re-elected the following as directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. S. M. Boatwright, William Struthers, Jr., J. O. Carr, J. T. King, H. J. MacMillan, B. A. Merritt, Albert Solomon, C. M. Butler, Charles Schnibben, E. T. Taylor, L. W. Moore, W. H. McEachern, W. A. McGirt and S. J. Ellis.

The directors re-elected the following officers: President, Mr. E. T. Taylor; vice president, Mr. S. M. Boatwright; secretary and treasurer, Mr. L. W. Moore.

One of the new features introduced the past year that has proved quite popular is the opening of a series in which the dues are doubled so that the stock is matured in just half the time as ordinarily.

IN MARINE CIRCLES.

British Steamer Brings Cargo Pyrites. A. P. Hurt in Port.

The tug Storm King, which came here several days ago with a broken propeller, left yesterday for Beaufort harbor, carrying in tow Dredge Barge No. 26, which is one of the barges being used in the hauling of rock for the construction of the breakwater for the harbor of refuge. The barge was brought here several weeks ago for repairs. Both the barge and the tug Storm King were repaired by the Wilmington Iron Works and are again ready for service.

The steamer A. P. Hurt recently put on between Wilmington and Fayetteville by the Merchants & Farmers' Steamboat Company, arrived in Wilmington yesterday morning and cleared yesterday afternoon. The vessel brought a cargo of 208 barrels of rosin, nine barrels tar and five bales cotton. Mr. S. M. King, of Wilmington, is master.

The British steamer Wingate, 1,152 tons, Captain Dew, master, arrived in port yesterday from Huelva, Spain, with cargo of pyrites for the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. The vessel is consigned to Alex Sprunt & Son.

OUT FOR NEW MEMBERS.

Chamber Membership Committee Starts "Ball to Rolling."

At an interesting and well attended meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Membership Committee yesterday afternoon, plans were devised and active work begun to enlarge the membership of the organization, as the initiative to the efforts of the Executive Committee to broaden the scope of the work for the general good of Wilmington.

Those present at the meeting were Messrs. J. F. Roache, chairman; J. R. Hanby, W. H. Stansell, Waddell Watters, J. C. Jones, O. H. Shoemaker and W. C. Cruser. The committee agreed to begin work immediately in an effort to materially increase the membership within the next few weeks. Meetings will be held at short intervals to report on the progress of the campaign. The members of the committee are most enthusiastic over prospects and believe that much good work will be accomplished.

Funeral Services Yesterday.

The funeral of the young son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Loftin, whose death occurred at the home of the parents at Winter Park on Monday afternoon, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Pridgen, No. 508 Market street, by Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. L. Pulver, Alfred von Siller, R. C. Merritt and G. H. Bunker. Interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

TELLS CHARACTER OF WOMEN BY HAIR

Novel Method Adopted by Enthusiast on Hair Culture Causes Discussion.

Show me a woman with fascinating hair, an immaculate scalp free from dandruff and an abundance of her own hair, and I can usually show you a careful woman with a home spotlessly clean and a husband whose life is one of comfort and contentment.

On the other hand—, well, the less said the better. Of cours, there are exceptions that prove the rule, said the speaker, who, by the way, is a man that conceived the idea of producing a beneficial preparation for women's hair—one combining ingredients that not only make it radiantly beautiful and fascinating, but refreshes and invigorates the hair roots so as to promote an abundant growth of healthy hair and at the same time banishes every trace of dandruff.

So uniformly successful is this delightful preparation now known as Parisian Sage, that there is probably not one druggist in the United States that does not guarantee it to give the fullest measure of satisfaction or money back. R. R. Bellamy has scores of women they supply regularly with Parisian Sage, and the cost is trifling.

Small Savings Banks

Have assisted many of our depositors in saving the Nickels, Dimes and Quarters. We have just received another supply of these Little Banks, and would suggest that you start an account at this bank, and let us lend you one of them. An account of One Dollar entitles you to the Free Use of the Small Bank. We also have the Dime Savings Bank, which we distribute to savers.

An account at "The People's" Means Success; Begin Yours Here Today.

"OLD AND STRONG"

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

CORNER FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

On Trust Company Roll of Honor For Year 1915

This Company Stands

1st in the City

1st in the County

1st in the State

2nd in the South

41st in the entire United States

"A place on the Roll of Honor is like a man's character: It is something money cannot buy, but is won by merit and worth alone."

In all trust matters, we are prepared to serve you efficiently and promptly.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

Oldest Wilmington Bank.

SALE OF ADVANCE SUMMER DRESSES

For Friday

Our Buyer got these by chance—a manufacturer was retiring from the Dress business and had this lot on hand, made up for Spring delivery. This manufacturer wanted to turn them into cash, and naturally turned to a Belk store for the deal.

The baby store at Wilmington was first on the job—so that we have the Dresses—and they will all be placed on sale Friday at the ridiculous price of

98 Cts.

They are made of Striped Voiles, in Black, Pink and Blue; White Self-Striped Crepe Voiles; Plain Sheer Linenes, all colors; and Figured Crepes, all sizes. Suitable for Morning, Afternoon, Street and House Dresses.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY TODAY

BELK-WILLIAMS CO.

210- 212 NORTH FRONT STREET.

SOCIAL

Mrs. William F. Register, of Fayetteville, arrived in Wilmington yesterday on the steamer A. P. Hurtt and will spend the week with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Brock, No. 620 Chestnut street.

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At the regular Housewives' League meeting yesterday afternoon, Miss Hope, of Gregory Institute, gave a very interesting talk on the composition, food values and preparation of the different cuts of beef while Mr. Nurnberger showed the different cuts and explained how housewives can tell whether or not meats are young or old. After the demonstration there was a short business meeting. There was a large attendance.

NEGROES ARRESTED HERE CONVICTED IN PENDER

Judge Peebles Sentences Them to Terms in Penitentiary for Larceny

Three negroes arrested in Wilmington recently were convicted of larceny at Burgaw and two of them given terms in the penitentiary, according to Plainclothesmen Leon George and D. W. Coleman and County Officer H. Mack Godwin, who returned yesterday from that place, having been called as witnesses. Special Officer Edmondson, of the Atlantic Coast Line, who helped to work up the cases against them, was also a witness.

Stinson Belden was given ten years in the State penitentiary for breaking into the express office at Burgaw and stealing nine quarts of liquor and a suit of clothes and five years for breaking into the store of Mr. W. H. Malpass at Rocky Point. Arthur Berry was given five years in the penitentiary. Jim Johnson, who was charged with being implicated in the robberies and also with being implicated in connection with housebreaking with several Wilmington negroes, pleaded guilty to the charge against him in the Pender court and was sent for one year to the Red Cross Sanitarium in New Hanover as it appeared he was suffering with tuberculosis. Johnson was used as a State's witness in New Hanover Superior court last week and his testimony helped to convict several negroes here.

TWO NEGROES TO ROADS.

Charged With Affrays With Negro Women—Other Cases Before Recorder.

Two negroes yesterday before the Recorder's court were each given three months road sentences by Recorder Empie. In each case the negroes were charged with engaging trouble with a colored woman. Council Ezzell, found at the hospital by the police with his head badly slashed, was charged with hitting Della Cobb, colored, several times with a stick. She admitted doing the cutting, claiming it was done in self defense. Lum Smith, the other negro, was charged with being drunk and shooting at Hattie Largo, colored. Each of the men was given the road sentence in default of a $25 bond.

Two colored youths, James Hill and George Johnson, charged with jumping trolley cars, were paroled, the former with Superintendent Rivenbark at the county farm and the latter with his mother. Dave Wilson, colored, charged with gambling, was taxed with the costs. Willie Davis, also colored, was adjudged not guilty of an affray with a colored woman.

Following the disposal of these cases, Recorder Empie gave a hearing in a civil suit between the Bluethenthal Dry Goods Company and the Atlantic Coast Line and Southern railroads, the case being instituted by the former.

WILL MOVE DREDGE TODAY.

Craft for Wrightsville Reclamation Work is About Complete.

The Tidewater Power Company will within a short time begin actual work on the reclamation project in Wrightsville Sound. The dredge, which has been recently purchased for this work will, if weather conditions are favorable, be towed around to the island today. The apparatus for pumping will there be installed, the dredge with this exception being practically ready for operation. Electricity will be used exclusively in driving the machinery. The pump will be of the suction type, similar to that used on the government projects in deepening and broadening the channel of the Cape Fear.

The dredge will be towed from here to Moore's Inlet by a tug and will there be steered into the sound by a launch. After the equipment is completely installed work will be begun reclaiming the low places on "The Hammocks," making the island considerably larger. When this part of the work has been completed the long trestle joining "The Hammocks" with the mainland will be filled in.

The Tidewater people last spring announced their intention to carry out this project which is to cost thousands of dollars and is one unique in its class. When the work is completed it will add greatly to the surroundings of Wrightsville Beach and at the same time make it an even more popular summer resort.

HER BIBLE WAS STOLEN

Mary Ashley Missed Book And Thought Her Friend Had Taken It.

Henrietta Bassand and Mary Ashley, two colored women, have been living together in peace for some time but recently the former decided to move to another house. Mary missed her Bible soon after and accused her former neighbor of having stolen it. The latter denied the charge and then Mary had a warrant sworn out before Justice Bornemann.

After hearing the evidence, the "Judge" decided that the Bible had undoubtedly been stolen but didn't think that the Bassand woman was the guilty person and dismissed the case.

There's Danger in Sluggish Bowels

Biliousness, Sick Headache, Sour Stomach Appendicitis, all Start in Inefficient Bowel Action. Foley Cathartic Tablets the Reliable Relief.

Never let the bowels get irregular. It's dangerous and unnecessary. A bottle of Foley Cathartic Tablets will provide ready relief at all times.

They clear the stomach, liven up the liver, stimulate the secretion and flow of the bile, have a good tonic effect on the whole intestinal tract.

Of Foley Cathartic Tablets, Mr. E. J. Hudson, a dealer of Cross Keys, Ga., says: "I believe for a thorough cleansing movement of the bowels, without the slightest inconvenience or sickening, I believe the Foley Cathartic Tablet the best on earth. It's a perfect cathartic, with no bad effects. My customers are highly pleased with them. They always satisfy beyond their expectation."

R. R. Bellamy & Co

LOCAL DOTS.

—A grocery wagon belonging to Mr. A. Steljes was broken in two when an automobile belonging to and driven by Mr. E. W. Fuhr, of Freeman, N. C., crashed into it yesterday morning at Second and Market streets. The horse with the front wheels of the vehicle were completely severed from the rear wheels and bed. The automobile suffered damage to the radiator. No one was injured.

—In entering a plea of nolo contendere last week in Superior Court, E. W. Burnett, the colored grocer, states that he did not mean thereby to create the impression that he was guilty of any of the several charges in which it was alleged he was implicated. Judge Peebles ordered that all charges against him be dismissed upon the payment of the costs and the promise of good behavior for a period of two years.

—Mr. Webb, who lives at No. 1415 South Fourth street, reported to the police yast night that a negro was seen prowling around in his yard and he too khim to be a burglar. Mr. Webb saw the negro from his window and shot at him twice. Policeman S. H. Fulford and W. H. Rivenbark were detailed to look into the matter but were unable to find the negro. It was reported that some money had been stolen from Mr. Webb but the police knew nothing as to this.

SKETCHES OF WILMINGTON

Col. Olds Tells of Some Incidents of Recent Visit to This City.

Col. Fred A. Olds, of the staff of the Raleigh Times, continued to write interestingly in that paper of his recent visit to Wilmington. Yesterday's issue of the Times continues the following:

The other day the writer was at Wilmington and looked at the city hall and the theatre. The latter yet remains one of the handsomest theatres in the State. Built in 1850, or thereabout, the whole building is imposing and graceful, with its columned portico. In front of the theatre portion of the structure is a stately palmetto. It was in this theatre that Joseph Jefferson, America's greatest actor, made his first appearance. In 1905, John Pullen and the writer were in Florida and paid a visit to Mr. Jefferson, who was then spending his last days at his lovely villa amid all the rich beauty of the flowers and plants which mark the latter-day Garden of Eden, the Florida East Coast country. Mr. Jefferson spoke of North Carolina and particularly of Wilmington, saying he loved to think of the old theatre there, in which he faced an audience for the first time. He had a minor part. In later years he frequently appeared there. He also spoke of Raleigh for he used to play at Tucker Hall. That was forty years ago, and he has played here six consecutive nights. Raleigh has always been hospitable to good players and good plays, and in the parlance of the stage, a "good show town."

Another noted man, intimately connected with Wilmington was the late James McNeill Whistler, the world famous artist, who spent most of his life in England. His mother was Miss McNeill, of Wilmington, hence that part of his name. William Laurie Hill, a Raleigh man in older days, was talking to the writer about Whistler, whom he remembers well. Whistler was as eccentric as he was gifted. He was for awhile at the United States Military Academy at West Point and while there did much sketching and showed the beginning of his talent.

Yet a third notable, and at this good hour the most notable of the trio, to wit: Hon. Woodrow Wilson, the President of these United States, spent a good deal of his time at Wilmington and his home is yet there as well as the church whose pulpit his father filled. Captain John W. Harper was speaking to the writer about Mr. Wilson a few days since, and what do you think he said? He remarked: "I knew him when he lived here. He was a clever young fellow in those days, with all the marks of the student of that day. Gawky, pale and stoop shouldered. Some of the under boys used to call him "Gawk." But he was studying to some purpose, as has been made clear since he became President."

LECTURE BY MISS CRANDALL.

Splendid Presentation of Public Health Nursing at Hemenway School.

A clear and definite presentation of the splendid results of public health nursing was given at the Hemenway school building last evening by Miss Ella Phillips Crandall, of New York, executive secretary of the National Association for Public Health Nursing. Her lecture was heard with close attention by a representative audience. Miss Crandall leaves this morning for Charlotte, where she speaks today at the North Carolina Social Service Conference.

Dr. Joseph Akerman presided at the meeting last night and Rev. E. deF. Heald, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, opened the exercises with prayer. Dr. Akerman in introducing Miss Crandall, commended the work she represented, and told of its splendid benefits.

ROLL CALL MEETING.

Wilmington Lodge of Elks to Observe Occasion Thursday Night.

Wilmington Lodge No. 532, B. P. O. E., will on Thursday night observe what is known as "Roll Call Meeting" and all members of the lodge are being urgently requested by Secretary James Owen Reilly to be present and answer to their names on this occasion. These "Roll Call Meetings" are held by all the lodges of Elks at the suggestion of Grand Exalted Ruler Jas. R. Nicholson and the Wilmington lodge is anxious to have a fine observance. In this connection it has been arranged to have a class for initiation Thursday night of this week and afterwards a "Get Together Lunch" will be served.

MAY RUN AUTOMOBILES.

Reported That Tidewater Power Company Has Purchased Two Cars.

That the Tidewater Power Company has purchased two seven passenger automobiles to be used in connection with their electric car service was reported on the streets yesterday but was not confirmed by Tidewater officials. It was stated that the cars had been purchased and were en route to Wilmington to be used in territory not now served by trolley cars.

NOTICE

The Wilmington Produce Company, having been sold to Mr. B. M. Wilson, I, former manager of the business, wish to thank my friends and patrons for their past business. I will continue in the employ of the Acme Cash Grocery Co., successors to the Wilmington Produce Company, located at Water and Dock Streets, and will appreciate any and all favors in the future.

O. E. DURANT.

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SENDS IN HIS RESIGNATION

Mr. L. W. Moore Will Retire from Board of County Commissioners. Has Been Valuable Member.

Mr. L. W. Moore, for the past three years a member of the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county, yesterday sent to Chairman W. A. McGirt his resignation which is to take effect immediately, although no action will be taken by the board before its next meeting which will probably be on the first Monday in February. It had been known for several days that Mr. Moore had contemplated retiring from the board, but his friends had hoped that he might decide to reconsider the matter.

Commissioner Moore was appointed three years ago as a member of the board and was re-elected at the last election for a term of two years. He has been a valuable member and has given much of his time to the work of the county, giving especial attention to the county roads and also to the assessment of property for taxation. His familiarity with real estate values made him particularly valuable in this capacity.

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Moore states that he is actuated solely by reason of the press of his personal affairs which he feels are such as to prevent his giving to the county the attention that the duties of Commissioner require. Mr. Moore has a large real estate business which requires much of his time. He is one of Wilmington's most useful citizens and it is cause of sincere regret of a wide circle of friends that he will not in the future serve in a public capacity.

The appointment of a successor will be made by Maj. W. N. Harriss, Clerk of the Superior Court, this being in accordance with the law. It is of interest to know that Mr. Moore was appointed as a member of the board by Major Harriss three years ago.

Mr. Moore's letter of resignation forwarded to Chairman McGirt yesterday is as follows:

"January 25th, 1916.

"Mr. W. A. McGirt, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, City.

"My Dear Mr. McGirt:—I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Board of County Commissioners of New Hanover county.

"I am forced to this conclusion on account of the press of my personal affairs, as I do not feel that I am in a position to give to the county the attention that the duties of Commissioner require.

"I wish to extend to you and the board my thanks for the hearty cooperation I have had while on the board, and regret that I cannot continue with your splendid body.

"Yours very truly,

"L. W. MOORE,
"Commissioner."

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CAROLINA METAL PRODUCTS CO.

Officers and Directors Re-Elected for Ensuing Year—Dividend Declared.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Metal Products Company was held at the plant at Sixth and Martin streets yesterday afternoon. Although one of the youngest of Wilmington enterprises, this concern from the first has prospered and grown. The report of the treasurer yesterday showed that it enjoyed a good year and that its business had made great strides.

A dividend of 10 1-2 per cent was declared, 7 per cent of which was the annual dividend and 3 1-2 per cent cumulative dividend due.

The stockholders re-elected the board of directors as follows: Messrs. John H. Kuck, G. P. Galvin and Theodore G. Empie, of Wilmington; J. P. Council, of Wananish, and Perry Van Horne, of Canton, Ohio.

The officers were re-elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Mr. Theodore G. Empie; vice president, Mr. J. P. Council; secretary and treasurer and general manager, Mr. G. P. Galvin.

SOROSIS CARNIVAL SCORES ANOTHER BIG SUCCESS.

Large Audience Present Last Night to See Production—Closes Tonight.

The "Business Men's Carnival" which is being given under the auspices of Sorosis at the Academy of Music, scored another big success last night and for three hours the large audience present to enjoy this delightful collection of musical numbers and sketches applauded and cheered the different numbers as they were given. It is a pleasing mixture of clever and artistic selections of songs, dancing and tableaux with not a dull moment from start to finish.

The "Carnival" closes tonight and with the praises of the production that have been showered upon it by the large audiences that attended for the last two nights, it is safe to say that the biggest crowd of all will be present tonight to witness the finale of the attraction which is given exclusively by home talent.

In the cake walk number, "Way Down in Dixie," Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cantwell were awarded the prize last night.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: Geo. E. Nixon to Gule M. Nixon, for love and affection, lot on northwest corner of Tenth and Market streets, 66 by 82½ feet in size; Wilmington Beach Corporation to U. A. Underwood, for $1 and other considerations, lot at Wilmington Beach; Sancho Robinson and wife to W. H. Wheeler and wife, for $10 and other considerations, lot on south side of Miller street, 75 feet east of Dickinson, 30 by 66 feet in size; Dixie Land and Development Company, to C. L. Short, for $100 and other considerations, two lots at South Wilmington Heights.

PERSONALS.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, is conducting evangelistic services at Kerr this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Gault and young son, Master Charles B. of Lake Waccamaw, N. C., were visitors to the city yesterday, stopping at The Orton.

—The following North Carolinians were registered yesterday at The Wilmington: P. L. Lyerly, Asheville; P. S. Wilson, Raleigh; R. C. Welfare, Wilson.

—Mr. Perry Van Horne, of Canton, Ohio, was in Wilmington yesterday to attend the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Metal Products Company.

—North Carolinians registered at The Orton yesterday and last night included the following: E. F. Carpenter, Bolton; W. W. Hugh, Plymouth; J. P. Council, Wananish; H. A. Jarman, Jacksonville; M. H. Fowlkes, Rockingham.

BUSINESS CHANGE ON WHARF

Mr. B. M. Wilson, of Farmer's, Buys the Wilmington Produce Company.

The well known grocery and country produce business of the Wilmington Produce Company, a corporation doing business at Water and Dock streets, for the past six or seven years, has been sold to Mr. B. M. Wilson, of Farmer's, Brunswick county, who assumed control yesterday.

Mr. Wilson is a former Wilmingtonian, having lived here for many years, and having been engaged in the grocery business in this city for about ten years. In recent years he has been engaged in farming in Brunswick county.

Mr. O. E. Durant, formerly secretary and treasurer and manager of the Wilmington Produce Co., will remain in the employ of the Acme Cash Grocery Company, which is the new name the business will be known as. Mr. Durant is a young man of pleasing manners and alert business ability and under his management the business has grown rapidly, it having been necessary to have additional space to care for the increasing business.

What Thin Folks Should Do To Gain Weight

Good Advice for Thin, Undeveloped Men and Women.

Thousands of people suffer from excessive thinness, weak nerves and feeble stomachs who, having tried advertised flesh-makers, food fads, physical culture stunts and rub-on creams, resign themselves to life-long skinniness and think nothing will make them fat. Yet their case is not hopeless. A recently discovered combination of assimilative agents has made fat grow after years of thinness, and it is also unequalled, judging from reports, for repairing the waste of sickness or faulty digestion and for strengthening the nerves. This remarkable preparation is called Sargol. Six strength-giving, fat-producing assimilative elements of acknowledged merit have been combined in this preparation, which is endorsed and used by prominent people everywhere. It is absolutely harmless, inexpensive and efficient.

A few weeks systematic use of Sargol should go far to produce flesh and strength by correcting faults of digestion and by supplying nourishing fats to the blood. If not, every druggist who sells it is authorized to return the purchase price. Increased nourishment is obtained from the food eaten, and the additional fats that thin people need are thus provided. Leading druggists supply Sargol and say there is a large demand for it.

While this new preparation has from reports given splendid results as a nerve-tonic and vitaliser, its use is not recommended to nervous people unless they wish to gain at least ten pounds of flesh.

OUCH! PAIN, PAIN. RUB RHEUMATIC, ACHING JOINTS

Rub Pain Right Out With Small Trial Bottle of Old, Penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil."

Rheumatism is "pain only." Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Stop drugging. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil" right into your sore, stiff, aching joints and muscles, and relief comes instantly. "St. Jacob's Oil" is a harmless rheumatism cure which never disappoints and can not burn the skin.

Limber up! Quit complaining! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil," at any drug store, and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic pain, soreness, stiffness, and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. "St. Jacob's Oil" has cured millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century, and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains.

DIED.

MASK—At his home in this city, THOMAS MASK, aged nineteen years, seven months, son of the late Thomas R. Mask, M. D.

Funeral from Saint Mark's P. E. church Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Interment, Pine Forest cemetery. (Advertisement.)

Announcement

I desire to inform my friends and the public that I have assumed control of the Wilmington Produce Company, which will in the future be known as the Acme Cash Grocery Co. I shall carry a full line of staple and fancy groceries, chickens, eggs and country produce.

I will endeavor at all times to efficiently serve you, by giving courteous treatment, prompt deliveries and lowest possible prices. Give me a call. Your patronage will be highly appreciated.

A cordial welcome is extended to out-of-town people to make our store headquarters.

BUY for CASH, and DEPOSIT WHAT YOU SAVE with THE CHRISTMAS CLUB.

Acme Cash Grocery Co.

'PHONE 1082. WATER AND DOCK STREETS.

B. M. WILSON, MANAGER.

Do Something for your Cold.

Do not let it wear you out and encourage sickness. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. You will get instant relief.

Most of us neglect coughs and colds. We brush suggestions aside with the remark "I'll be better soon," and oftentimes we do get better. However, when that cough or cold gets a hold, it usually means annoyance, interference with our work and often a spell of sickness follows. Isn't it better *immediately* to check that cold and ease the cough? Dr. King's New Discovery does it! Search as you will, you will not find a better remedy.

Dr. King's New Discovery is made of Pine Tar mixed with soothing balsams and laxatives. It's antiseptic and kills the germs, allays the cold-fever and soothes the irritated, inflamed throat. The very first dose gives you relief. You cough with less strain. And if you have a hacking or dry night cough, grateful relief follows and you soon drop into a restful and refreshing sleep. Get a bottle to-day and let Dr. King's New Discovery be your cold and cough doctor. At all druggists.

J. M. Solky & Co.

ONE-PRICE CLOTHIERS AND FURNISHERS.

NO. 9 N. FRONT STREET

Announce the Continuation of

THEIR ANNUAL SALE OF

Winter Suits and Overcoats

Comprising their Entire Stock, With the Exception of Dress Clothes and Still Affording Satisfactory Selection from Desirable Assortments in All Sizes.

SUIT AND OVERCOAT REDUCTIONS:

$28.00 Suit or Overcoat	$21.00
$27.00 Suit or Overcoat	20.25
$25.00 Suit or Overcoat	18.75
$22.00 Suit or Overcoat	16.50
$18.00 Suit or Overcoat	13.50
$16.50 Suit or Overcoat	12.38
$15.00 Suit or Overcoat	11.25
$13.50 Suit or Overcoat	10.13

BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

$10.00 Suits or Overcoats	$7.50
$ 7.50 Suits or Overcoats	5.62
$ 6.00 Suits or Overcoats	4.50
$ 5.00 Suits or Overcoats	3.75
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Graded School Commencement Program is Completed

Dr. Poteat, of Wake Forest, and Dr. Clinkscales, of Wofford College, Among the Speakers—Lyceum Course—Debate.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Tabor, N. C., Jan. 25.—The faculty and trustees of the Tabor Graded school announce that the commencement program has been completed and that it is to be a good one in every particular. It has been the good fortune of the school to be able to secure several leading educators of the South.

Friday evening, March 17th, the gymnasium team, composed of boys from the entire school, will give an exhibition, consisting of rolls, handsprings, headsprings, long and high diving, flips, tumbling, pyramid building and parallel bar work.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Dr. Wm. Louis Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, one of the leading Baptist institutions of the South, will preach the commencement sermon. At 8 o'clock Sunday evening Rev. W. B. Justus, of Jonesville, S. C., will preach the "get together" sermon at the Methodist church.

Monday morning following the regular class day exercises by the senior class, consisting of salutatory, class prophesy, class history, valedictory and oration will be held. Eight will receive diplomas if the good work they are doing is not interrupted.

Monday evening at 8 o'clock, Dr. J. G. Clinkscales, of Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., will give the literary address before the school.

The next Lyceum number will appear here at the Tabor school auditorium, February 7th, (Monday). The Reginers are known all over the South to be one of the best numbers that could have been engaged. So far the attractions have been far above the average and each one very fine in every particular. Evidently there will be a very large crowd in attendance for already many are talking of the treat believed to be in store when the Reginers make their appearance. This will be followed by one other, a lecture by Wallace Bruce Amsbury, February 14th, said to be a very fine lecturer on live subjects.

On last Monday evening the Floyd Literary Society of the Tabor graded school was thrown open to visitors, and an interesting program was carried out. After several well delivered declamations, recitations and essays, the subject, "Resolved, That women should have the right to vote," was discussed by, affirmative, Beebe Spivey, Grover Suggs, Dewey Bell and Holly Caines; negative, Willie Wright, Dothan Norris, Henry Hickman and Myers Harrison. The large society room was crowded to its full capacity, and it was exceedingly interesting to watch the boys go after it, as if their life depended upon the question. Messrs. C. D. Harrelson, M. C. Harper and J. L. Lewis acted as judges and gave the decision in favor of the negative, admitting that the arguments were very close.

The ladies' "Age" Society of the Methodist church held a lively "Spelling Bee" last Tuesday evening. The young people certainly had a good time and those oysters served by the ladies during the evening were simply delicious. Everybody seemed to be there and beaming full of fun. The stag quartette sang "Good Night, Beloved," in closing.

DEATHS AT GOLDSBORO.

Grim Reaper Claims Mrs. Kate L. Hurtt and John I. Mozingo.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Kate L. Hurtt, widow of the late Maj. D. W. Hurtt, died at her home in this city at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the home of Mrs. Z. M. L. Jeffreys, where deceased made her home.

John I. Mozingo, a prominent Republican of this city, died at his home here today after a long illness of many Wednesday. He is survived by his wife and several children.

NEWS OF A DAY FROM THE STATE'S CAPITAL

Commissioner Young Cautions Fire Insurance Agents

Commissions Issued to Three New Officers of the Medical Department of National Guard—New Corporations Chartered.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 25.—A hurried visit to Raleigh last evening by United States Senator Simmons has considerably quickened interest in the probability of the appointment of Associate Justice W. R. Allen, of the State Supreme Court, to the Federal Supreme Court bench as successor to the late Justice Lamar. Senator Simmons did not discuss the matter publicly but there are those who express the view that the Senator sees a strong likelihood that President Wilson will name Judge Allen on the Supreme Bench.

In that event there will be an appointment for Governor Craig to make in naming a successor to Judge Allen on the North Carolina Supreme Court bench. The suspicion is expressed that Senator Simmons and Governor Craig canvassed this matter while the Senator was here. The further fact that former Judge O. H. Guion, of Newbern, was a Raleigh visitor at the same time has started talk that he will probably be the choice of Senator Simmons for the place on the State Supreme bench. Judge Guion and the Senator have long been close friends.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 25.—Adjutant General Young, of the North Carolina National Guard, issued commissions today to three new officers for the medical department of the Guard. Dr. Houston B. Hyatt, of High Point, is commissioned as first lieutenant in the medical department and will be assigned to field hospital corps, No. 1, Asheville. Dr. John Y. McConnell, of Davidson College, is commissioned as first lieutenant and will also be assigned to the Asheville field hospital corps. Dr. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, is commissioned as first lieutenant, medical department, and is assigned to headquarters at Raleigh.

Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young is giving notice to all companies and agents, doing fire insurance business, that it is not permissible in this State for commissions to be divided, except with regularly licensed insurance agents or brokers, and that the law does not allow more than 5 per cent to non-resident brokers, and that only when the brokers are licensed to do business in this State.

Another important matter to which the Commissioner is directing the attention of insurance agents is that it is absolutely necessary that all special riders or extra clauses attached to insurance policies must bear the signature of the agent and that they must not be signed with the typewriter as numbers seem to be doing at this time.

New corporations were chartered today as follows:

The Interstate Audit Co., of Charlotte, capital $25,000 authorized and $500 subscribed by J. L. Hoyle, Charlotte; W. L. Lowry, of Utica, N. Y., and M. M. Hoyle, of Thomasville.

The Tar Heel Garage & Theatre Co., of Chapel Hill, capital $15,000 authorized, $5,100 subscribed by Bruce Strowd, W. E. Lindsay and W. R. Roberson.

The Hillsboro Power & Light Co., of Hillsboro, capital $7,500 authorized and $2,500 subscribed by S. M. Gattis, H. G. Coles, and A. H. Graham, for general light and power business.

Monroe, Newbern and Salisbury get the highest quotations on the price of cotton the past week in the bulletin issued today by the agricultural extension department of the Department of Agriculture. Their quotation is 12 1-4 cents. Charlotte and Durham are quoted at 12 cents and Fayetteville at 12 1-8 cents. The Raleigh and Lumberton market were 11 3-4, and the Goldsboro market 11 1-2 cents.

BOMB FOR NEW YORK'S $8,000,000 CITY BUILDING.

Leonardo De Vizeo. Michele Grasiano.

Michele Grasiano, an ex-convict, was caught with this bomb in a suitcase in New York's $8,000,000 municipal Building the other day. Leonardo De Vizeo, another ex-convict, was arrested later as his partner.

It is charged by the police that Blanckhanders had a plot to blow up public buildings. Their purpose was to prove to the victims of their blackmail—Italian bankers and merchants—that they could defy the police. An expert who examined the bomb said it was strong enough to rock the building.

BIGGE RTOBACCO MARKET

Whiteville Expects to be One of the Largest in Pee Dee Belt.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Whiteville, N. C., Jan. 25.—From practically no market at all to one of the ranking markets of the Pee Dee belt promises to be the record set by the Whiteville tobacco market before the close of the 1916 season. Messrs. Wilson and Tuggle, of Danville, Va., who operated the Whiteville warehouse last season, have made it known that with the market here next season. A again operate Whiteville warehouse, built last year, and the old Growers' Tobacco warehouse has been rented by Frank Wray and associates who will operate the same the coming season, and it has been reliably stated that Paul E. Powell, a well known warehouseman at Fair Bluff, will build a third warehouse here before the opening of the coming season and either manage the same personally or lease to some well known tobacco man familiar with this section.

It has been frequently rumored that Col. J. S. Ball, the veteran auctioneer, who has been on the Fairmont market for a number of seasons, and associates at Mt. Airy will be identified the market here the coming season. A confirmation of this rumor is expected at any date and in such event it means considerable pulling power for the local market, Col. Ball's ability to sell the weed being a familiar house-hold word in this tobacco belt.

The record established by Messrs. Wilson and Tuggle during the past season, for a first year market, was highly satisfactory to them and to the stockholders of the warehouse and with three warehouses the coming season it is a safe prediction that the Whiteville market will this year set a pace with the established markets in the East Pee Dee belt. Probably a greater amount of tobacco will be planted in this immediate territory than in a number of years, plenty of plants being available.

PRESIDENT BRYAN OF COLGATE SPEAKS AT WAKE FOREST

Addresses the College Y. M. C. A. on "The Meaning of Youth."

(Special Star Correspondence).

Wake Forest, Jan. 25.—In a stirring and highly interesting address last night in Wingate Memorial Hall, Dr. R. T. Bryan, president of Colgate University, spoke to the Young Men's Christian Association of "The Meaning of Youth."

Dr. Bryan, in bringing his subject to apply directly on the college student, called attention to the fact that the great problems are not of things, but of men; for when any crisis is "manned" there is no lonper a crisis. He showed conclusively that the State problems of health, productivity and taxes, need concern no one when the young men of the State are accomplished college men who have solved themselves.

The period of youth is important because man is young for such a long time. During this period the home, the schools and church get in their benign influence. It is in this period that the three important questions of life are faced and settled: "What shall I do?" "Whom shall I serve?" "With whom shall I mate?" In developing the last question, the speaker humorously requested that he be not required to answer that definitely for each one presentff but he did emphasize strongly some of the great mistakes that are made in deciding that matter.

Dr. Bryan closed by stating that the period of youth was the additive period, when one built his air-castles and dreamed the dreams of a great future. No one, asserted the speaker, has ever achieved any element of success without first having built up a great plan in his mind.

DEATH IN WAYNE COUNTY

Mr. Jas. H. Johnson, Confederate Veteran, Passes Away.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 25.—Jas. H. Johnson, one of Wayne county's best known and highly respected citizens, died at his country home near this city Sunday night, aged 82 years. As a soldier of the Confederacy he endured all the privations of war, and the nameless tortures of prison—of hunger, thirst, cold and sickness; and when the war was over he gave this same heroic fealty to his duties as a citizen in the rehabilitation of the Southland.

His wife and several children preceded him to the grave and he is survived by five children and a large number of grandchildren. His surviving children are Rev. J. T. Johnson, of the Methodist Conference, Mr. William Johnson, of Georgia, Mrs. P. H. Sasser, of this city, Mrs. Walter Paschall, of this county, and Mrs. Sarah Edgerton, who made her home with him.

The funeral, conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. A. Piland, of the M. E. circuit, was held from the home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and was largely attended.

MILITARY SERVICE BILL PASSES ITS SECOND READING

Goes Through Without Division in House of Lords.

London, Jan. 25.—The House of Lords without division passed the second reading of the military service bill this afternoon. The Marquis of Lansdowne, minister without portfolio, spoke strongly of the necessity of enacting the measure. The archbishop of Canterbury, in the course of the debate, bestowed a benediction on the measure, saying he regarded it as a plain, straight-forward, vigorous effort to meet a situation extraordinarily difficult.

Earl Curson, lord privy seal, in furthering the debate, expressed the opinion that the most serious criticism of the bill was made by those who contended that it did not go far enuogh.

H. T. HAM COMMITS SUICIDE.

Ends His Life in Greensboro—Formerly of Mount Olive.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Mt. Olive, N. C., Jan. 25.—Friends and former business associates here were apprised late Monday night of the death by suicide of H. T. Ham, of Greensboro, which occurred at his home there about 9 o'clock Monday night, a pistol being used. Very poor health for several years past is believed to be responsible for the rash act.

Mr. Ham was for a long time one of the leading business men of this place and has hosts of friends throughout this section, who will be grieved at his untimely demise. He owned considerable property here at the time of his death.

Springfield, O., Jan. 25.—William Smith, of Springfield, will manage the Richmond, Va., ball team of the International League the coming season. Mr. Smith made this announcement today when he said that he had received a telegram that his terms were satisfactory. Mr. Smith was manager of the Atlanta team in the Southern League last year.

THEATRICAL

The Bijou makes the announcement this morning that owing to the booking of some big Universal features for Wednesdays, this being the only day on which they could be secured, "The Diamond from the Sky" will hereafter be shown on Fridays.

For the first of those extraordinary Universal features, the Bijou today presents popular Mary Fuller in a three-act dramatic fantasy, "The Heart of a Mermaid," a novelty the like of which has not been seen since "Neptune's Daughter."

Novelty? Well, you may think as you like about that, but when we tell you that Mary—our own beautiful, popular Mary—is the mermaid, tail and all, swimming about as if the ocean was her native element and sunning herself on the rocks in true Lorelei fashion, perhaps you'll admit that it is different from any one of the thousand and one different things she has done. Mary Mermaid is captured and broad aboard a yacht, and her disregard for the ways of folks with two legs and proper feet shocks the ladies aboard, and will set you wild with laughter. Fortunately she is able, like "Neptune's Daughter," to discard the fish tail until she gets tired of humans, when she returns to the ocean, leaving an aching heart behind her. Don't miss it.

"The Boy, the Girl and the Auto" is a corking good Nestor with Lee Moran and Billie Rhodes doing the leading stunts.

Big Bill at Grand.

The Reliance Motion Picture Company furnish the head-liner on today's big bill at the Grand, and have featured popular Irene Hunt in another great detective drama, "The Bankhurst Mystery," a tense drama, rich in suspense and tragic color, the story of a woman and a wonderful gem.

"The Bankhurst Mystery" is one of the greatest sleuth plays ever offered for release, and features Irene Hunt as Mason's wife, the dead woman whose mysterious end is involved in the tracking down of diamond robbers by Remar, the celebrated detective. The sleuth king is impersonated by A. D. Sears, and the jewel thieves are Alfred Paget and Reginald Maison. The story is full of action, and an automobile race between the detective and the criminals is a startling feature.

"The Mender" is a tense single reel American drama, starring beautiful Helen Rosson, with E. Forrest Taylor in the two leading roles.

Another one of those great Falstaff comedy gems, "Una's Useful Uncle," is also on today's big bill and will furnish you many a good, hearty laugh.

Tomorrow there will be presented the first of those great "Vogue" comedy features, a two-reeler, entitled "Sammy's Scandalous Scheme," starring a comedian that bids fair to attain the heights of Charlie Chaplin fame. Don't miss it.

Valeska Suratt Tomorrow.

Valeska Suratt, the celebrated American actress, will be seen at the Royal tomorrow in the Jesse L. Lasky production of Marion Fairfax's thrilling drama, "The Immigrant," a Paramount picture.

In "The Immigrant" Miss Suratt is seen in a characterization absolutely different from that which she has heretofore appeared, either upon the stage or the screen. Miss Suratt is first seen as a poor Russian immigrant bound for America. Later she is given ample opportunity to wear many of the striking gowns for which she is so justly famous.

One of the big thrilling scenes of the play is the blowing up of a great dam, holding back an immense volume of water and the destruction of a large house by the released torrent. These scenes are said to be the most realistic ever presented on a screen. The dam and the house were especially built for the occasion by the Lasky Company at an enormous expense. Three hundred laborers worked night and day for two weeks in order to build the dam. The entire production is of the usual Lasky thoroughness and excellence while the cast supporting Miss Suratt is headed by the two distinguished Lasky stars, Theodore Roberts and Thomas Meehan and supported by other members of the Lasky all-star organization.

"The Girl and the Game."

Just two more days and Grand patrons are to have the one tremendous treat of their lives. Friday comes "The Girl and the Game" the serial of guaranteed thrills, starring that fearless film star, beautiful Helen Holmes, in the leading role.

"The Girl and the Game" is a tremendous feature absolutely new in the world of motion pictures, it is the first big railroad story that has been filmed as a serial, although it would seem that such stories furnish thrills that the ordiuary serial does not. And "The Girl and the Game", "the serial of guaranteed thrills," contains 'em for every foot of film. There are thrills and then bigger thrills, each one gaining in intensity. If you read the story in last Sunday's star of the opening chapter, you know something of what to expect. Otherwise, just take our word for it that it will be the biggest serial you have ever followed. You don't want to miss the first chapter by any means, and remember, it begins next Friday.

Mary Miles Minter at Royal.

That winsome flower of the screen, little Mary Miles Minter, the youngest star on the screen (just 17) appears at the Royal today in a great wonderplay in five acts, "Emmy of Stork's Nest," a five-act filmization of the famous novel of the same name by J. Breckenridge Ellis, brimming with thrills and picturesque situations. Five years ago this winsome and beautiful screen artist, then little more than a child, appeared in Wilmington in "The Littlest Rebel" with William Farnum. She has a winsome personality that fairly radiates from the screen and captures the hearts of her audiences from the moment of her entrance. She has therefore been named the new Mary Pickford by many thousands of her admirers all over the country.

"Emmy of Stork's Nest" in which she has been selected for stellar honor, offers an unusual vehicle for the flower-like loveliness of little Miss Minter. As a Missouri mountain girl who first scoffs at and then falls madly in love with a city chap, who, however, proves worthy of her affection, she registers one of the most delightful and alluring characterizations of her short screen career.

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Intended to be On Hand for Marriage

STANLEY BOYKIN RETURNS TO WILSON—SIMPLY WENT TO NEW YORK AND SOMEBODY STARTED SENSATIONAL STORY.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Wilson, N. C., Jan. 25.—Another chapter was written in the story of the re-called invitations to the Kuhrt-Boykin marriage Monday night when Mr. Stanley Boykin, the groom, whose disappearance from Wilson Sunday night, January 16, started the story, gave out for publication a statement. Mr. Boykin has returned home.

In his statement Mr. Boykin said that he left Wilson Sunday night for New York City, and his intention was to return to Wilson Friday in time to go to Atlanta for the wedding which was scheduled to occur January 27. He states that prior to leaving Wilson he told his father, Mr. D. S. Boykin, of his intention. Sometime, Monday, continues the statement, some local parties informed the father that his son had left Wilson with the intention of sailing for India and would never return to Wilson. The father was so impressed with the truth of the story that he immediately telegraphed Miss Hattie Boykin, a sister of the young man, to come home. Miss Boykin was in Atlanta, visiting the family of the bride-to-be. Following this telegram announcements were published recalling the invitations. In Atlanta the assigned cause was the illness of Mr. Boykin. In his statement, Mr. Boykin said that as soon as he learned of the anxiety caused by his absence from home he returned. He says that he is unable to state whether the marriage to Miss Isabel Kuhrt will occur at the appointed date.

The published statement simply added interest to the affair. It is a fact that both Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Boykin and intimate friends of the family state positively that the prostration was because of information which reached them through a note written by Mr. Stanley Boykin and left on the desk in his father's office.

MINIMIZE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE UPRISINGS IN CHINA

Passengers Arriving at 'Frisco Give Their Version of Affairs.

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—Passengers arriving here today from China aboard the steamer Shinyo Maru minimized the significance and proportion of the present uprising against Yuan Shai Kai, president and prospective emperor. They said responsible Chinese believed a monarchical form of government would stabilize China and that Yuan's position was tenable from financial and military points of view.

Yuan's hesitancy in mounting the throne, they said, was due to the advance of prominent Chinese that should the new government fail of immediate recognition, China's hope that she will be represented in the final peace negotiations between the warring European nations would not be realized.

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Smocks of Tinted Glove Silk for the Morning -- Fur Finds Its Way In Summer Blouses -- Dahlia Shades In Georgette Crepe -- Baby Velvet Ribbon and Baby Velvet Buttons-- Long Sleeves Inevitable.

WOULD you know what the new summer blouse is to be like? Long sleeves must it possess, first of all—no hope of cool, comfy short sleeves for this summer, sorry as one is to make the statement. Every woman is asking wistfully anent the new blouses: "But are there no elbow sleeved models?" None at all, mesdames; and the longer your sleeves are, the smarter you will look. Some of the new sleeves, stretched out with no arms within them, seem to measure a good yard and a quarter in length; but on the arm they are merely very long, limp sleeves that bag over a little above the cuff.

And sleeves are full, also. No more tight sleeves, if you would be excessively chic. The fullness is gathered softly into a low shoulder, or into a regulation small armhole and floats about the arm, a cuff of any width from an inch to ten inches confining the sleeve below the elbow. One must decide on the shape of one's sleeve according to one's personal taste, and—this is even more important — one's type of figure. The material of the blouse also counts in the matter. Chiffon and Georgette crepe sleeves may be very full, for the line of the arm shows through; untransparent sleeves must have more definite shapeliness so that the figure may not appear bulky. If the arm is very long and thin, the tall cuff is most becoming and some of the new cuffs point up even as far as the turn of the elbow. The full bishop sleeve gathered into a narrow wristband is becoming to some women; on others it is rather trying.

Collars Both High and Low.

One may hold out more hope of coolness and comfort where collars are concerned. There are quite as many blouses with V-shaped neck openings as there are models with high, choker collars. The latter are perhaps smarter but only the slender woman with a long throat will choose to swathe her neck in a choker collar, once warm weather has set in. Many models show convertible collars which may be worn high or low but these makeshifts are never very satisfactory. Either the convertible collar looks clumsy when it is turned down; or its effect lacks in trimness when fastened high around the throat. It will be best to have, say, one or two tall-collared blouses for special wear and all the rest comfortable, open-necked models which leave the throat bare in front. At the back, every blouse collar rises high enough to meet the line of the hair—with the possible exception of very informal morning and sport waists.

There is captivating charm in a new blouse whose fascinating inconsistency is silken and chiffon fabric fashioned into most informal, smock-like lines. This model has graceful sleeve, gathered into a narrow wristband, a high, turned down collar with exaggerated wing bow and a clever arrangement of the material under the arm which fits the blouse smoothly over the figure yet allows sufficient fullness for grace. This blouse which comes from Cheruit has the unfailing Cheruit charm and femininity that distinguish all models from this couturier. Its very exaggeration is appealing to taste satiated with eternal sameness in blousewear. The material is bisque elephant's ear—a soft, kid surfaced fabric and the sleeves are of chiffon in the same bisque shade. The embroideries are in golden brown silk and the smart necktie is olive green. The chiffon sleeves are not gathered to an overhanging shoulder; but to short sleeve sections set into regulation armholes. The front of the blouse is slashed down to make the opening and underneath is set a flat facing, its edges embroidered to the material. The pockets, set on rather high, are attached to a narrow belt which runs all the way around the back. Thus the loose blouse is made to define the waistline very daintily.

Hand-Smocked Morning Blouses.

For sport wear, or morning wear in the house, is a new smocked blouse which has a much more pleasing line than the ungainly loose smock of last summer. In this case the blouse is drawn in at the hip by smocking, as well as at the bust and across the back; in fact there is as much smocking as one could possibly put on a blouse, and because of this the sleeve with saucy inconsequence has been left unsmocked. This blouse is of rose pink pussy willow taffeta with smocking done by hand in self color. Narrow black velvet ribbons, run through crocheted rings, draw up the fronts and also slashes over the hips. A tiny double frill of the taffeta is made by the smocking at the hem of the garment and this gay little frill adds much by way of finish. Collar and cuffs of white taffeta add a pleasing touch of contrast in their severity of line. A smocked blouse, pictured, is of jade green glove silk with collar and cuffs of white glove silk and lacings of black velvet ribbon. The glove silk smocked models are very handsome and rather high-priced and they will be, undoubtedly, very smart and correct for summer sport wear. Any woman who can do hand smocking daintily can make herself one of the taffeta blouses, and a rather bright shade will be prettiest for summer out-of-door wear.

Fur Buttons on Palm Beach Blouses.

Big buttons of beaver fur, matching a beaver fur collar, are piquant and fetching on a blouse of white washable satin, ordered for Palm Beach wear. The belt of velvet is Copenhagen blue in shade and is very loose, passing through wide straps at either side of the blouse. Below the belt is a pleated peplum and the sleeves of white Georgette crepe are attached to sleeve sections of the satin, set into regulation armholes; like the sleeves of the bisque and brown blouse first described. There is an exceeding grace about the lines of this white satin and fur blouse and the round fur buttons have a Pierrot suggestion that is rather quaint. This blouse is shown also in navy blue satin with collar and buttons of white velvet and a belt of white kid.

Among the new imported blouses are models of chiffon and Georgette crepe in the most brilliant rose, coral, petunia and dahlia shades. The cut is simple and hemstitching is the only trimming, it being evident that the color alone is sufficient unto itself. On a dark eyed and haired woman one of these blouses should be enchanting, but pale tinted or washed out individuals should beware of such vivid rose shades.

A Pleated Smock of White Satin and Georgette Crepe with Big Fur Buttons

Frilly Blouses of Tub Material.

In buying lingerie blouses one simply cannot make the mistake of getting anything too thin. The new lingerie waists are simply transparent—one can say no more. Materials are fine book muslins, silky batistes, organdies, Georgette crepe and very sheer voiles. Tucks of exquisite fineness, hand hemming and frills galore trim the pretty, enchantingly feminine affairs and in spite of their long sleeves they are not severe. More hand hemming and less machine hemstitching seems to be the watchword for very exclusive models; for hemstitching now that anyone may acquire it for a few cents the yard, is falling into disrepute with the exclusives. Much narrow velvet ribbon and the tiniest of velvet buttons are seen on new lingerie waists—one does wonder how they will launder, unless the velvet accessories are ripped off, and that takes valuable time. Typical of the new mode is a model of flesh pink Georgette crepe, with fullness added in tucks at the shoulder line and a plisse frill, edged with velvet ribbon, around the collar and all the way down the front. The sleeve, slashed part way to the elbow and the line of slashing continued with buttons, is worthy of note.

A blouse of sheer, soft book muslin, as fine and thin as any woven fabric can be; is pintucked all the way across the back and along each shoulder seam in front, the tiny tucks, all set by hand, running down about four inches on the blouse. There is a sailor collar trimmed with three little overlapping ruffles of the material, each corded and whipped along the edge, and turned back cuffs have the same exquisitely dainty hand-finish. To prove that this blouse is French there are three smart bows of crisp black ribbon, one at the point of the V-neck opening and one on each frilled cuff.

Vestees of Pastel Silk and Brocade.

Adorable indeed are the little vestees of tinted silk which interpose a layer of dressings between blouse and coatfront. Of various materials are these smart vestees; taffeta, brocaded satin, embroidered faille, satin-striped silk and even gold and silver lace over rich color. The degree of elegance of the vestee depends, of course, upon the sort of tailleur it is to accompany. In addition to its prettiness, also, it has a practical mission: it adds warmth—just enough warmth under the new spring coat when the weather has a sharp hint of lagging winter, yet one desires to appear in new spring apparel. One pretty vestee of glove silk is in sweet-pea lavender shade. The edge trimming is black and white satin ribbon, stitched on by machine and white pearl buttons are fastened with silk cord loops. At the neck is a double frill of chiffon in the lavender tint of the vestee. Without fullness at the shoulder, this garment is cut to fit smoothly yet loosely over the bust and is drawn in under the arms with hand-smocking.

Button-in-Back Models Again.

A great many of the new blouses fasten down the back; but only the models intended for dressy wear. Lingerie and tailored waists continue to fasten in front. The back-fastening has been resorted to because it is almost impossible to make a high collar fit as it should fit unless it fastens at the back, and in this case, the blouse must fasten at the back also or there will be danger of a sagging line at the neck. A French blouse of silver striped net over flesh pink chiffon illustrates the button-in-back style coming in now. This is a particularly dainty blouse of the new below-the-waist type, an accordion pleated peplum of flesh pink chiffon being set on below the sash of silver cord. The deep Quaker collar is also of flesh pink chiffon and is hand-buttonholed at the edge with Nattier blue silk. A high collar of Nattier blue moire ribbon frilled with silver lace echoes the blue note in the embroidery.

Admirable Lines, a Most Comfortable Sleeve, and Fetching Color Touches in Embroidery in this Spring Blouse

Plisse Frills Appear on the New Blouses and Narrow Velvet Ribbon Accentuates the Frilly Effect

For an Open Coat-Front, this Vestee of Lilac Glove Silk With Smocking Under The Arms

A Silver-Striped Net Blouse over Faint Pink Chiffon

Frivolous and Fascinating is Madame's Handbag

THERE is always something to spend money for," laments the discouraged husband overwhelmed with bills. "If it isn't furs its furbelows; if it isn't hats, its handbags." And so it is. Woman cannot spend quite as much on handbags as she can—say, on furs; but she can spend quite a tidy sum nevertheless, and each season she seems able to spend more and more.

A generation ago two handbags would have seen any woman through any season; one, a neat leather shopping bag with a kid-lined card-case inside for occasional formal use; the other a gathered velvet or silk reticule to hold opera glasses. Odd looking affairs, these generation-ago opera bags, with the bottom cut in a sort of slipper shape, exactly the size of the opera glass and no room for more than a folded handkerchief after the opera glass was in. Garnet plush was a favorite material for such bags, one recalls out of the dim and distant past. Rather a different affair, to be sure, madame's opera bag of today, a costly belonging of rich satin veiled with gold lace and trimmed with little French appliqued roses; perhaps possessed of a carved ivory or tortoise shell frame and at any rate supplied with a complete gold-mounted vanity outfit in addition to the mother-of-pearl opera glass which it carries.

In the class of the opera bag comes the party bag, a dainty trifle destined to contain vanity belongings, lace handkerchief and perhaps folded gloves, removed for dancing or supper. The party bag is a more frivolous affair than the opera bag which must be dignified and elegant as befits a belonging that accompanies a superb opera cloak. Typical of party bag styles is a little affair of pink and lilac shot silk, gathered at the bottom around a small mirror and at the top into a frill of silver lace, within which is a second frill of white lace. Around its circumference the bag is trimmed with another frill of silver lace, the stitches being hidden under a band of silver braid and some tiny pink and gold roses. Inside the bag is a lining of flesh pink satin and silver cords form the handle.

An overnight bag with everything luxurious taste could possibly demand.

Still another bag, necessary to madame's correct equipment is the theatre, or matinee bag. This must be more dignified than the frivolous party bag, yet not as elaborate as the opera bag which accompanies full evening dress. The matinee bag is usually of velvet or of rich silk in some subdued color, gold or silver beads, gold lace or colored embroidery forming the decoration.

Butterfly bags are the fad of the moment and some of them are very dainty. In mind is a black velvet bag, almost oval in shape, with a broad velvet strap handle, lining of white satin and covered frame closed with white metal ball fastening. Across the top of the gathered velvet bag spreads an exquisite butterfly of white metal. One pays about twenty dollars for this pretty trifle of bagdom. At a little more than twenty comes a theatre bag of marine blue panne velvet with an imitation ivory clasp in the shape of a bird. Separate butterfly ornaments for attaching to velvet bags are obtainable and some of these are very modest in price.

With the advent of spring velvet handbags yield place to models of silk and brocade. Some of the silk bags shown in the shops now are alluring indeed, with their frames of tortoise shell and carved imitation ivory.

One, a very handsome bag, is of striped satin and moire silk, in white and magenta, with the new long frame of tinted, imitation ivory. This is a capacious bag which will hold any number of things and inside, against the lining of magenta satin are shirred pockets with ivory mounted fittings. One must pay between a quarter and half a hundred dollars for this exclusive reticule.

Smaller silk bags, shirred on frames of shell and supplied with vanity fittings, come in black, gray and various shades. A new idea is the gathering of the silk on heavy cords around the lower part of the bag. Two or three of these corded shirrings give a very handsome effect.

Leather handbags there are—oh, yes to be sure!—but they are scarcely to be numbered among the elite of bagdom. Yet some of them cost tidy sums of money after all. For example, at sixteen dollars, a neat little handbag of green or blue pin seal lined with buff suede and shaped by deep folds of the pin seal into a narrow frame of engraved gold plate. Within the bag are coin purse and mirror mounted in pin seal to match the bag.

For traveling and automobile use there are dozens of convenient and luxurious bags, some in the square or oblong English dressing-case style, with fittings ranged around the sides and room in the center for folded nightgown and negligee; others tiny affairs carrying only toilet accessories and compartment for jewels. One overnight bag holds a number of things, yet when drawn up on its cord handles, the compact pockets at the bottom leave space for negligee, nightgown and boudoir slippers. This bag is of very heavy bengaline silk brocaded with velvet flowers. The bag-lining is of cream-colored kid which makes the bag extra firm and substantial, for all its graceful outlines. At the bottom is a reinforced circle of kid and on this is the group of shirred silk pockets which hold the toilet belongings.

Fashion revels in color this season and even the handbag is gay, made of striped silk with imitation ivory frame.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

SMALL DECLINE IN COTTON

Close Steady at Net Decline of Five to Seven Points Following Fluctuations.

New York, Jan. 25.—A renewal of yesterday's selling movement carried March contracts off to 12.11 in the cotton market here this morning, or about 10 points under last night's closing figures. Rallies followed, however, with March selling up to 12.20 and subsequent fluctuations were irregular with the close barely steady at a net decline of 5 to 7 points.

The market opened steady at a decline of 3 to 6 points and sold about 8 to 10 points net lower during the early trading under Wall Street and local offerings. Liverpool seemed to be selling at the opening but turned a buyer as prices worked lower, while there was also a considerable demand on a scale down believed to be for continental and Japanese account. This checked the decline around 12.36 for May; 12.49 for July, and 12.51 for October. Reports of steady Southern spot markets helped the rally which carried prices to about last night's closing. Trading was less active on the rally and prices reacted in the late trading under renewed Wall Street and local selling. Closing prices were about 5 to 6 points off from the best. No improvement was reported in the matter of cotton rates and the general scarcity of tonnage was emphasized by reports that the Dutch government intended to allow vessels to load freight only for neutral ports and to prohibit the sale of ships to foreigners.

The market closed barely steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
January	12.00	12.07	11.99	....
March	12.17	12.20	12.11	12.14
May	12.40	12.45	12.36	12.39
July	12.50	12.59	12.49	12.52
October	12.56	12.60	12.51	12.54
December	12.59	12.73	12.67	12.67

Spot quiet; middling uplands 12.20; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 12.00; receipts, 11,010; exports, 4,599; sales, 1,795; stock, 449,445.

Galveston—Middling, 12.35; receipts, 12,710; sales, 662; stock, 379,563.

Mobile—Middling, 11.75; receipts, 385; sales, 300; stock, 25,203.

Savannah—Middling, 12.25; receipts, 5,199; sales, 802; stock, 227,789.

Charleston—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 742; stock, 98,290.

Wilmington — Receipts, 762; stock, 50,011.

Texas City—Receipts, 4,640.

Norfolk—Middling, 11.88; receipts, 2,463; sales, 1,510; stock, 129,680.

Baltimore—Exports, 4,737; stock, 2,075.

Boston — Middling, 12.20; receipts, 440; exports, 791; stock, 11,660.

Philadelphia—Middling, 12.45; stock, 3,662.

New York—Middling, 12.20; receipts, 131; sales, 1,000; stock, 332,049.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 6,874; exports, 8,031; stock, 69,316.

Total today—Receipts, 45,356; exports, 18,158; stock, 1,778,683.

Total for week—Receipts, 88,563; exports, 60,076.

Total for season—Receipts, 4,750,598; exports, 2,691,069.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 12.30; receipts, 10,259; shipments, 10,306; sales, 1,053; stock, 220,743.

Memphis — Middling, 12.25; receipts, 2,815; shipments, 8,110; sales, 2,000; stock, 327,932.

Augusta — Middling, 11.88; receipts, 1,174; shipments, 2,133; sales, 1,604; stock, 195,112.

St. Louis—Middling, 12⅜; receipts, 2,510; shipments, 2,763; sales, 27; stock, 18,161.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 876; shipments, 1,253; stock, 16,652.

Little Rock—Middling, 12.25; receipts, 433; sales, 433; stock, 39,944.

Dallas—Middling, 11.75.

Montgomery — Middling, 11.75; sales, 244.

Total today—Receipts, 18,255; shipments, 25,003; stock, 813,548.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Jan. 25. — Cotton goods prices showed an upward tendency today. There was a good general demand for wash goods for next spring and summer. An advance of a quarter of a cent a yard was named on a prominent line of bleached muslins. Announcement of new prices on rugs and carpets was made by one firm. Heavy weight mean's wear was in active demand. Canada was a buyer of three-quarter cotton worsteds and cheap woolen suitings.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, January 25. — Sugar — Raw, steady; centrifugal, 4.77; molasses, 4.00; refined, steady.

Coffee—Spot, firmer. Rio, No. 7, 8½; Santos, No. 4, 9¼.

Butter—Steadier.

Cheese—Steady.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Fluctuations Within Narrow Limits and Tone Steadier.

New Orleans, Jan. 25.—Fluctuations in the cotton market here today were again within narrow limits but the tone was steadier than yesterday and there was more of a disposition to recover from declines. The market derived its steadiness chiefly from the spot department and reports that spot owners were quietly ignoring the lower levels in the contract market. The lowering of local spot quotations by an eighth of a cent caused little comment. Bulls called attention to the fact that March closed at 11.98 as against 12 cents for middling spot and argued that the cheapness of contracts would increase the demand for them.

In the early trading prices lost 5 to 7 points, which was recovered around the middle of the morning on telegrams from the interior naming higher spot prices than were quoted at the ports. Noon prices were at the low levels again but early in the afternoon the ring found difficulty in meeting the demand from covering shorts and prices were forced 1 to 3 points over the final figure of yesterday. Offerings increased on the close, which was at a net loss for the day of 3 to 5 points.

Closed steady. Closing bid: March 11.98; May 12.26; July 12.46; October 12.43; December 12.56.

Spot cotton steady 12 points off. Sales on the spot 835 bales, to arrive 960 Middling 12.00.

WHEAT MARKET HIGHER YET

Highest Prices of Season Caused by Export Buying and Predictions of Cold.

Chicago, Jan. 25. — Export buying and predictions of a cold wave lifted the wheat market today to the highest prices yet this season. The close was firm, ⅛@1c. to 2¼@2⅝c. net higher, with May 1.36@1.36⅝, and July 1.26½@1.26⅝.

Corn gained ½@⅝, and oats ¼ to ⅝@½c.

In provisions the outcome varied from 5c. decline to a rise of 10c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.36; July, 1.26½.

Corn—May, 79; July, 79¼.

Oats—May, 53½; July, 49¾.

Pork—January, 20.45; May, 20.52.

Lard—May, 10.60; July, 10.75.

Ribs—May, 11.15.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.34½; No. 3, red, 1.31¾@1.33½; No. 2, hard, 1.32½@1.33; No. 3, hard, 1.26½@1.36½.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 73¼@74; No. 4, white, 72½@73.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Wingate (Br.), Dew, 1,152 tons, Huelva, Spain, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Wingate (Br.), 1,152 tons, Dew, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kell (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—$5.00 and $4.80.

TAR—$2.00-8½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 42½c.; rosin, $2.90; tar, $1.50-7c.; crude, $2.90, $2.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	78
Tar	12
Crude Turpentine	(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 234 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—12c. Quotations same day last year, 7⅞c.

Receipts—620 bales; same day last year, 786 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 146,493 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 125,308 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Jan. 25, 1916.

Atlantic Coast Line—589 bales cotton; 12 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—31 bales cotton.

A. J. Hurt—78 barrels rosin.

Total—620 bales cotton; 78 barrels rosin; 12 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 24.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 50c to 55c per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—80c to 90c.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.

PORK—Small, 9@10c per pound.

SHEEP—Gross: Old sheep, 3@4c; lambs, 3@5c lb.

WOOL—Burry, 19 to 28c; black wool, 17 to 20c; first class white wool, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 22c; sdeis and shoulders, 16c per pound; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 15c to 18c per pound, alive; 20c to 22c dressed.

EGGS—25c dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 24.—North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market firm. Fancy hand-picked, 84c.; No. 1, machine picked, 77c. per bushel

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 66c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop firm; No. 1, small, machine-picked, $1.00; Jumbos, 90c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 24.—Spanish: Farmers' stock—Market, steady.

First quality, $1.05 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock — Market, quiet.

Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3¼c. per lb.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Jan. 25. — Turpentine, no sales; last sale, January 21, at 50@55; receipts, 72; shipments, 169; stock, 12,480.

Rosin—Nominal. Sales, 478; receipts, 1,449; shipments, 2,962; stock, 61,771. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 5.20; H, 5.25; I, 5.80; K, 6.00; M, 6.30; N, 6.75; W G, 7.20; W W, 7.60.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Jan. 25. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼; sterling, sixty day bills, 4.72; demand, 4.76¼; cables, 4.77; bar silver, 57⅝; Mexican dollars, 44¼; government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, firm; time loans, easy; sixty days, 2½@2⅝; ninety days, 2⅝; six months, 2⅝@3; call money, easier; ruling rate, 1¾.

STOCK MARKET STILL DULL

United States Steel the Absorbing Feature of the Day in Wall Street.

New York, Jan. 25.—The absorbing feature of today's dull and restricted market was United States Steel, all other considerations and developments being relegated to comparative obscurity. Of recent weeks steel had come to be regarded as the barometer of speculative as well as industrial conditions and the prosperity attending the corporation's business in the last half of 1915 pointed almost indubitably to a resumption of dividends, which were sounded in the last quarter of 1914.

The meeting of the steel directors at which steel common was restored to its 5 per cent status was not held until after the close of the market. Meantime, however, Steel, which opened at 84 to 84 5-8, a maximum overnight gain of 1 1-8, rose to 85, reacted a small fraction, then made a new high for the day at 85 1-2, and closed at 84 1-2, a net gain of 1-2 a point.

Dealings in Steel amounted to about 122,000 shares or over 25 per cent of the day's turn-over. Trading in other usually active stocks was stagnant except for the first and final hours, when coppers and some speculative specialties were rushed forward with gains of 1 to 4 points. War shares average 1 point gains, and motors stocks moved unevenly while high priced industrials were decidedly irregular. Oils were again liquidated in moderate volume.

Rails were distinctly disappointing, firmness in Canadian Pacific and Baltimore & Ohio, being offset by heaviness in Eries, New Haven and some less conspicuous shares of that division. Total stocks amounted to 460,000 shares.

Bonds were firm, a heavy demand for Mercantile Marine 4 1-2 featuring the dealings. Total sales, par value, were $3,445,000. United States registered 2s advanced 1-4 and the registered 3s, 1-2 per cent on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	27
American Beet Sugar	66¼
American Can	62¼
American Car and Foundry	68
American Cotton Oil	55
American Locomotive	64
American Smelting	103⅛
American Sugar	113⅞
Americna Tel. and Tel	127⅝
American Tobacco	205
Anaconda Copper	87⅞
Atchison	106⅛
Atlantic Coast Line	113
Baldwin Locomotive	107
Baltimore and Ohio	91½
Bethlehem Steel	473½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87
Canadian Pacific	173
Central Leather	53⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	62
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	98
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	17¼
Consolidated Gas	141½
Continental Can	81¼
Crucible Steel	65⅝
Erie	38¼
General Electric	173¼
Great Northern, pfd	121¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	46⅜
Illinois Central	106⅜
Interborough Consol. Corp	19⅜
Kansas City Southern	27½
Lehigh Valley	77⅝
Louisville and Nashville	125⅝
Liggett and Meyers	225
Lorillard Co	B.177
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd.	15
Missouri Pacific	5¼
Mexican Petroleum	105¼
National Lead	70⅝
New York Central	107⅞
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	71⅝
Norfolk and Western	118
Northern Pacific	114½
Pennsylvania	58⅛
Reading	79⅛
Rep. Iron and Steel	51
Seaboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	B. 37½
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	B. 58
Studebaker Corp	152½
Southern Pacific	101⅛
Southern Railway	22
Southern Railway, pfd	62
Tennessee Copper	57½
Texas Co	208
Texas and Pacific	7⅞
Union Pacific	135⅝
United States Rubber	54
United States Steel	84½
United States Steel, pfd	118⅛
Utah Copper	79¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	48
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	B. 56
Wabash, pfd., "B" Ctfs	29⅝
Western Union	89⅞
Westinghouse Electric	66⅞
United Fruit	140

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 25. — Cotton, spot, easier; good middling, 8.48; middling, 8.13; low middling, 7.75; sales, 5,000; for speculation and export, 500; receipts, 25,000; futures, steady; January, 7.89½; January-February, 7.89½; February-March, 7.86½; March-April, 7.83½; April-May, 7.80; May-June, 7.76; June-July, 7.72; July-August, 7.68; August-September, 7.67½; September-October, 7.43½; October-November, 7.37; November-December, 7.33; December-January, 7.29; January-February, 7.24.

COTTON SEED OIL.

New York, Jan. 25. — Cotton seed oil made new high records for nearby positions, the buying being inspired by light offerings of crude, covering by refiners against cash sales west and the strength in other oils and greases. Final prices were 8 to 15 points net higher. Sales, 32,200 barrels.

Closed strong. Spot, 915 bid; January, 9.50@10.00; February, 9.21@9.30; March, 9.22@9.24; April, 9.22@9.25; May, 9.20@9.21; June, 9.21@9.23; July, 9.28@9.30; August, 9.32@9.33. Total sales, 32,500.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 25. — Hogs—Higher. Bulk, 7.40@7.70; light, 7.10@7.70; .....mixed, 7.25@7.75; heavy, 7.30@7.75; rought, 7.30@7.40; pigs, 5.65@6.80.

Cattle—Weak. Native beef steers, 6.30@9.75; cows and heifers, 3.15@8.20; calves, 7.75@11.00.

Sheep—Weak. Wethers, 7.50@8.10; ewes, 5.20@7.80; lambs, 8.40@10.80.

THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 26, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 49 degrees; at 8 P. M., 61 degrees; maximum, 67 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .02 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.01 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 7 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Local rains Wednesday; Thursday rain.

The Port Calendar, January 26, 1916.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:36 P. M.
Day's length	10 hrs. 23 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A. M.	P. M.	Low water. A. M.	P. M.
Wilmington	1:49	2:01	8:58	8:37
Southport	11:36	11:57	5:53	6:11
Masonboro Inl	11:25	11:46	5:33	5:51

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

January 26, 1916.

STATIONS:	Temperature: Weather at 8 P. M.	Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	62	56		
Asheville	62	56		
Atlanta	54	44		
Augusta	60	50		
Baltimore	54	—		
Birmingham	58	48		
Boston	58	34		
Charleston	64	56		
Charlotte	58	42		
Chicago	54	46		
Galveston	66	60		
Jacksonville	68	54		
Memphis	62	54		
Mobile	68	50		
Montgomery	62	52		
New Orleans	68	54		
New York	54	36		
Oklahoma	64	52		
Palestine	70	52		
Pittsburg	60	44		
Raleigh	64	44		
Savannah	66	54		
Shreveport	70	46		
St. Louis	62	48		
Washington	60	38		

SAMPSON PEOPLE IN EARNEST ABOUT HAVING COUNTY FAIR

Delegation Visits Kinston to Get Some Points on How It's Done.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 25.—Col. Geo. L. Peterson, J. C. Weeks, McD. Davis and E. L. Whitfield, prominent Clinton men, have been spending two days here looking over the grounds of the ten-county fair and getting pointers fr m the management on the methods of operation of the most successful fair in the State. A movement for a county fair in Sampson county is now well under way. The first annual exhibit will be held next fall. The business men of Clinton and planters of the county, a progressive lot who were among the first citizens of the State to call for community betterment work and the like and are among the foremost in agricultural advancement, good roads, etc., are deeply interested in the fair. Nine or ten months will be spent by the Clinton management in preparing for the event.

WOODRUFF IN GOLDSBORO

To Deliver Address on "Modern City Government" Thursday.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 25.—Clinton Rogers Woodruff, secretary of the National Municipal League, will deliver an address on "Modern City Government," Thursday evening, January 27th, at 8 o'clock in the court house.

The selecting of a more efficient govern for our city is now being considered by our people. The charter committee of the city of Goldsboro is indeed to be congratulated in securing this recognized authority on municipal government.

It is, too, an especial compliment to Goldsboro in view of Mr. Woodruff's only making three addresses in North Carolina—Charlotte, University of North Carolina and Goldsboro—leaving here for Charleston, S. C., after the lecture on Thursday night.

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PENSACOLA, FLA $23.35

(Account Mardi Gras Celebration.)

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$23.35—Goldsboro, N. C., to Pensacola, Fla., and return, account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd-7th, 1916. Tickets on sale Feb. 28th to March 6th, inclusive, with final limit March 17th. Stop-overs permitted.

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No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 83. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia, and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M. and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 86. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64 5:15 A.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington Parlor Car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 42. 6:05 P.M. Daily.
No. 44. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 5:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 38. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. Pullman Cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 78. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 43. 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. 9:50 A.M. Daily.

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In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND: Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:16 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:45 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	ae1:10 P. M.	a2:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	af1:45 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	a2:36 P. M.	a2:25 P. M.	.....
c d2:35 P.M.	.....	.....	c d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:56 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	b5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	e6:40 P. M.	7:31 P. M.	7:20 P. M.	7:15 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
1:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:50 P.M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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PRESIDENT IS URGED TO SPEAK IN DURHAM

Expected to Pass Through the City on Speaking Tour.

Invited by the Rotary Club—Pou Wants Him to Visit North Carolina—Federal Judge Bill Favorably Reported.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 25. — The Rotary club of Durham, through M. E. Newsome and S. C. Chambers, president and secretary, respectively, have invited President Wilson to visit Durham on his trip to North Carolina. The Durham boosters today asked Senators Simmons and Overman and Representative Stedman to help them get the President to accept this invitation.

As President Wilson will probably pass through Durham, there is every reason to believe he will at least stay there long enough to make a speech from the platform of his private car. It is generally believed that he will visit the State on his second trip, which will start about the middle of February.

Representative Pou today asked Mr. Wilson to visit his State. Mr. Pou, of course, would like to have him visit the Fourth district, but he will be satisfied if the President visits the State.

The House Judiciary committee today made a favorable report on the Webb bill, which would authorize the President to appoint all Federal judges in districts where he thought the public good would be served by such additional appointments.

There are a number of Federal judges today unable to perform the duties on the bench, but who at the same time refuse to resign. They are appointed for life, and cannot be removed except for cause.

It is known from a highly authoritative source that President Wilson has no idea of retiring Judge Jas. E. Boyd as long as the Federal jurist has good health, which the President understands he is now enjoying. Should the bill become a law, Judge Boyd would continue just as he is at present, unless his health failed him. In that event, Mr. Wilson would exercise his right under the law, just as he would do in other cases which will have his attention immediately after the law is passed, should it ever pass.

Bids for the construction of the public building at Shelby will be opened at the Treasury Department tomorrow.

Representative Small has recommended Millard F. Bond for appointment as post master of Edenton, and L. B. Wynne at Williamston. P. R. A.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT WILL END LYNCHING IN NORTH CAROLINA

(Continued From Page One).

miasmas of night from the rising run. They ever seek new forms of hypocracy, but persistent corruption and uncleanness is burned up in the storm and lightning of popular wrath. The walls of Jerico fell down at the shouting of the people of Israel, so must the walls of all wickedness ultimately fall. 'Hast thou considered how each man's heart is so tremulously responsive to the herats of all men? Hast thou noted how omnipotent is the very sound of many men? How their shriek of indignation palsies the strong soul? their howl of contumely withers with unfelt pangs? The Ritter Gluck confessed that the ground-tone of the noblest passage in one of his noblest operas was the voice of the populace he has heard at Vienna, crying to their kaiser, Bread! Bread! Great is the combined voice of men, the utterance of their instincts, which are truer than their thoughts; it is the greatest a man encounters, among the sounds and shadows which make up this world of time!"

Wherein Lies Sovereignty.

"Sovereignty is not in the executive, nor the legislature, nor the judiciary, nor all three combined. The President of the United States on his tour of speech-making through the country will appeal to an authority that is above the Congress of the United States. Thence must come the army and the navy, and without the loyal support of this power the army would be a rabble, and the navy cankering iron and rotting wood. This tribunal discusses this and other questions in its own way, oftimes crudely and rudely—at country stores and in school houses, in groups at church, in political gatherings, and in the home, by reading newspapers and magazines. But after discussion and consideration it delivers the decree that must be obeyed. Constitutions and statutes must express the fundamental conception of society, otherwise they are the dead letter of the law. The government must conform to the genius of the people. The democracy of America cannot prevail in China. Every organized society will eventually have that political system best adapted to its popular needs and conditions. The universal conscience is the basis of all law and social order.

"The people of this State are the responsible for the government of this State, and that government is, generally speaking, such as they earnestly desire and deserve. The Genesis of all reform is with the people; the purpose of all reform is the people.

"The aroused conscience of the State overthrew the liquor traffic, powerful as it was, and has accomplished that which the advocates of the traffic said was impossible. It has made effective the prohibition law.

"It was public sentiment demanding just treatment that adjusted our freight rates.

The Goldsboro Lynching

"The moral stamina of the State is not clear of responsibility for the flagrant commission of mrimes in defiance of law. We are to some extent responsible for the lynching in Wayne county, for heretofore we have not made sufficiently clear our conviction, and have not determined against the crimes of the mob. If the criminals who lynched that negro, who violated and trampled down in the darkness the sanctity of law, who outraged the State, had known that a people shocked at this night orgy of death, this uncalled for, unnecessary, wanton and utterly defenseless shame would have arisen and spoken against them in righteous indignation to their exposure and condemnation, the soil of Wayne county would not have been polluted by the blood of another murder.

"But we can hope that this is the last of such crimes in this State. The press and the pulpit, and patriotic citizens have spoken with emphasis, and sounded a clear note that public sentiment in North Carolina is against such deeds, and will no longer tolerate them. Outside of Wayne county there is the one discord in this note of unqualified condemnation and that is from the Chief Justice of this State. It is astounding that he should hold the court responsible for the mobs. This serious charge is made in general against our courts. It should have been made special. The recreant judges should have been named. There is no disposition in North Carolina not to administer the law. Crime does not go unpunished. No reasonable man concludes that this negro who murdered a farmer in Wayne county would have escaped justice at the hands of judge and jury. To hold up our State as worse and more lawless than Sicily with its Maffia, is an unjustifiable accusation. The Chief Justice says that he discusses this matter in State vs Cameron. From the opinion of Justice Allen, replying to the opinion of the Chief Justice in this case, I read as follows:

"'The prisoner has been convicted of murder in the first degree, and sentenced to death, the judgment has been affirmed. This would seem to be enough. I do not think that statistics not relavent to the decision of the cause, and which are often misleading have any place in a judicial opinion, nor do I concur in the indictment against the people of the State, or the administration of her laws. I am well assured that facts and conditions existent do not justify it.'

"This statement made by Justice Allen was concurred in by Justices Walker, Hoke and Brown.

"The men who are apologizing for and attempting to palliate this lynching, are not accessories after the fact, for they have committed no overt act to protect or conceal the criminals, but such utterances tend to lessen the respect for courts, and the administration of justice, and they weaken the restraint of law on occasions when communities are enraged by deeds of horror in their midst. The lawless element welcomes such utterances. The organization of future mobs is made easier. But it is unmistakable that the conscience of North Carolina is set against such things, and the people have spoken the deep convictions of the State and of the age.

Factory Child Labor.

"There is another subject which should have been dealt with more effectively by the people of this State, and that it the protection of children of tender years from the evil effects of constant labor in factories.

"The mill men of North Carolina deserve commendation for the humane spirit with which they have cared for the health and education of their employees and the children of their employees. In many places they have provided schools and libraries and comfortable reading rooms. Some of the organizers and heads of industries take the most active interest in the cleanliness of factory towns and in the welfare of their workers, but the State should not neglect her duty because individuals have sometimes done their duty.

"The child cannot work to advantage, but his mind is eager for knowledge and most retentive. His character is responsive to culture. The facatory is no place for the child of tender years. The drudgery of toil is not his rightful inheritance before his bones are hard, or his muscles are firm. If we grind the seen corn, there will be a failure in the crop of men.

State, Not Federal Government.

"But I believe that the State, and not the Federal government should solve this problem. It does not come within the purview of interstate commerce. The real purpose of such legislation by the Federal government would not be to regulate commerce between the states, but to regulate industries within the states.

"During the last General Assembly the mill men exercised their power in my opinion unwisely to prevent reasonable legislation. The defeat by them of the bill providing for official inspection was a blunder. If they deny to constituted authority to look in upon their business, they give color to the charge that like the whited sepulcher they may appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bonds and of all uncleanness. It is such conduct that gives strength to the bill now pending before Congress. But it seems to me that this measure is tainted with the selfishness of industries in other sections to avoid competition with our industries.

"I believe that our mill men have learned a lesson. A large per cent of them during the last legislature favored a reasonable law, and one that would guarantee the protection of children against any who would violate it. They are strong, influential men, too, and great captains of industry, who realize that such legislation is demanded by modern thought."

To Prevent the Grip

When you feel a cold coming on, stop it by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE and thus keep the system in condition to prevent the GRIP. There is only one "BROMO QUININE." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c.

CONSERVATION OF OUR FORESTS THE KEYNOTE

Of Convention of Forestry Association at Newbern.

Yesterday's Session Featured by Addresses by Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt and President O'Berry—Secretry Reports.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 25.—With a gratifying number of delegates from all parts of the State and a number of visitors from other states in attendance, the sixth annual convention of the North Carolina Forestry Association convened here this morning.

The programme today was featured by an interesting address by President Nathan O'Berry, of Goldsboro, and the report of Secretary J. S. Holmes, the latter telling in detail of the work accomplished during the past 12 months. Governor Craig was to have been present but was unable to attend.

Tonight Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, was the principal speaker on the programme. His address was heard by many and proved to be intensely interesting and enjoyable.

Tomorrow the foresters will be taken to the John L. Roper Lumber Company's logging camp at Camp Perry, where they will be shown the growth of loblolly pine and where they will be the guests of the Roper company. Through all the sessions held today "Conservation of Our Forests" was the keynote of the discussions and every member of the association is determined to do his part to bring about this state of affairs.

DOGS RAN WELL.

Bloodhounds Taken Out for Their First Practice Yesterday.

The two English bloodhounds recently purchased in Nebraska by the city were taken out yesterday for their first practice run and, according to the officers in charge, they acquitted themselves handsomely. They were in charge of Policeman A. L. Long, who will be their keeper in future, and the place of operations was the old rock quarry site, on the Princess street road to East Wilmington.

A boy went into a vacant house there, walked around a bit, and then "streaked it" across a field and up a tree about three-quarters of a mile distant. Officer Long, in charge of the dogs, Councilman Hall, Chief of Police Williams and others came up with the man trailers a short time later, the dogs were placed on the trail in leash and they soon had their quarry "up a tree," figuratively as well as literally speaking. The animals, of course, are a little stiff as yet and are in no condition for work, but they are expected rapidly to become acclimated and to get into the best of form. The dogs will be run entirely in leash and yesterday harness was made for each of the dogs and they readily adapt themselves to it, as both are dogs already well broken and ready for the trail.

PURCHASE NEW REGALIA.

Clarendon Lodge Soon to Have Fine New Equipment—Meeting.

Clarendon Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, which is nothing if not active just now, is arranging for the purchase of entirely new equipment in the way of regalia and costumes for conferring its degree in amplified form. The new equipment involves an investment of several hundred dollars and at the meeting of the lodge last night, the matter was discussed at some length, it having been decided to have a representative of the supply house come to Wilmington a little later to take the order. Clarendon Lodge is said to be the only lodge in the city conferring its degrees in amplified form and in order to "put on" the work properly, purchase of the new equipment was decided upon. At the regular meeting last night there were several candidates for the first rank and the usual routine business of the lodge.

Hugh MacRae & Co., Inc.

Handsomely embossed cards have been mailed to business associates of the firm, reading as follows: "We beg to announce that the name of Carolina Trucking Development Company, under which we have done business for the past eleven years has been legally changed to Hugh MacRae & Co., Incorporated. The business continues under the same official management. Wilmington, N. C., January 24, 1916."

Auto Truck Damaged.

One of the large automobile trucks of the Murray Transfer Company was partially destroyed by fire last night about 9 o'clock on the Federal Point road, near Sunset Park. It was in charge of Chauffeur Elliott. It is understood that the loss is covered by insurance with the agency of Col. Walker Taylor and that the burning of the truck will in no way interrupt the service of the transfer company.

Business Locals

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amount being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city, for advertisements in this department, upon request by 'phone to No. 51. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, or advertisements for the Star, but a small charge for Strictly Messenger Service. Telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams and bills will be rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union," but for advertisements always call the Star office, No. 51. Advertisements cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them. Contract advertising inserted "till forbid" will be discontinued only on written notice from the advertiser.

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WANTED — TWO UNFURNISHED rooms by young couple, to be used as bed room and sitting room. No cooking done. Would like to be as near the Post Office as possible. Address "Rooms Two," care Star. ja26-1t*

OYSTERS, OYSTERS, OYSTERS. — TO-day only, nice, large New River oysters, 30 cents one quart bucket. Also fancy celery, 10 cents stalk. Nice sirloin steak, today only, 23 cents lb.; 2 lbs., 45 cents. Country pig pork and all-pork sausages. Try us. We take great pleasure in filling all orders. Batson's Meat Market, 115 Market street. 'Phone No. 72. ja26-1t

WANTED — PURE BRED OR MIXED young Duroc-Jersey sows. Price, age, size, condition. Write immediately. Mr. Boyd Lesh, R. F. D. No. 1, Bolivia, N. C. ja26-1t*

FOR SALE—RESIDENCE, 507 CHEST-nut street; 7 rooms and bath. Cash or will make good terms. Telephone 273. ja26-3t

FOR RENT — THREE UNFURNISHED rooms with all conveniences. Centrally located and on car line. Price reasonable. Address "A. B. C.," care Star. ja26-1t*

WANTED — BY HONEST, SETTLED and reliable young woman; position as nurse for small children in home of good people. State requirements and amount offered to satisfactory person. Address "N," care Star. ja26-w,f,su-3t*

WANTED — YOU TO GET ROOM AND board at 119 Chestnut street. Special rates by the week or month. Mrs. L. M. Sheppard; 'Phone 1126-J. ja26-1t*

TEN DOLLARS PER MONTH WILL SE-cure use of desk, telephone and stenographic service in one of Wilmington's best furnished front offices. Only reliable party considered. Apply Box 595, City. ja26-3t

FOR RENT — SIX-ROOM COTTAGE, all modern improvements, Wrightsville avenue, Carolina Place; possession February 1st. Address L. B. Michaux, 602 Orange street. fe26-3t

REFINED YOUNG LADY DESIRES clerical position; with some knowledge of stenography, either permanent or temporary. Address "L," care Star. ja26-1t*

NEW WAY MARKET — SPECIAL, strictly fresh eggs, 25 cents per dozen; fancy Florida oranges, 19 cents dozen; dressed turkeys, chickens, geese, quail, wild ducks; bottle catsup with every quart of oysters. Whitloof or French endive. Lettuce, celery. 'Phone 816 and 817. W. H. McEachern. ja26-1t

PIANO FOR SALE — SPLENDID UP-right, excellent condition. Owner breaking up housekeeping. No use for it. Will sacrifice for quick sale for cash. Address "Piano," Box 449, City. ja26-1t*

WANTED — OFFICE POSITION BY young lady with experience. Willing to work for small salary. Address "Willing," care Star. ja26-1t*

FOR SALE — 20 SHARES OF POST-Dater Stamp stock, cheap to quick buyer. W. B. Roberts, Tabor, N. C. ja26-2t*

WANTED — PINE HEADING BOLTS, 42 inches long, 6 inches and over in diameter. Wilmington Coopperage Co., Wilmington, N. C. ja25-7t

EGGS, EGGS. — JUST RECEIVED, fresh lot country eggs, 25 cents dozen. C. S. Britt, corner 7th and Grace streets. 'Phone 460. ja25-1t*

'PHONE YOUR ORDERS FOR MAGA-zines and newspapers to 745. Gordon Brothers, 17 Princess street. de14-tf

FLOORING — WE HAVE MARBLE tile floor for building, containing 1,003 square feet floor space, only 1-2 cents per square foot. We have also slate, steps, beams, columns, heavy doors, folding doors, steel shutters and ornamental gates, doors and railing. All very cheap. Wilmington Iron Works. ja21-7t

NOTICE—WHOLE HEAD RICE, 10 cents quart; fresh country eggs, all guaranteed, 30 cents dozen; Pimento peppers, 10 cents can; Unicori coffee, 25 cents can; good garden peas, 9 cents, 3 for 25 cents; Fresh Catawba butter, in quarter pound cubes, 38 cents pound, at May Bros., 24 North Front street. Phone 1322. ja 22-tf

SOHMER, EVERETT, CHASE-HACK-ley and Baldwin pianos are noted for their tone, quality and durability. We have them in Uprights, Baby Grands, Concert Grands and in Player Pianos. We also have a new, fully guaranteed piano for $250. Call and see our violins, mandolins, guitars, and Ukuleles, strings and accessories. Piano tuning and repairing a specialty. Yopp and Woody Music Co., 217 North Front street; 'Phone 313. ja23-tf

FOR RENT — LARGE, BRIGHT, WELL furnished room, with modern conveniences, two blocks of Post Office. 216 North Second. 'Phone 773. ja23-tf

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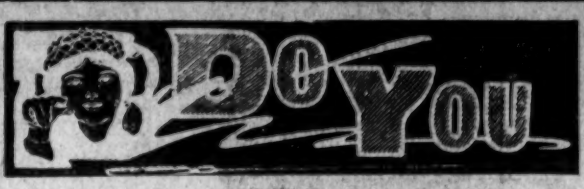

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

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OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 31ST, 1915.

RESOURCES:		Liabilities:	
Loans and Discounts	$5,392,096.70	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	810,000.00	Surplus and Net Profits	650,081.54
Bank Building	480,000.00	Circulation	730,200.00
Bonds and Other Securities	293,650.00	Special Deposit Bonds	115,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern Nat. Bank	90,748.30	Rediscounts	789,302.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,678,236.41	Deposits	5,463,147.37
	$8,747,731.41		$8,747,731.41

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FOR SALE — A LITTLE GIANT crusher, mounted on wagon; just the thing for crushing stone and bats for concrete work. Save time and money by getting this. Will rent or sell. Wilmington Iron Works. ja21-7t

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JUST BOUGHT, A BANKRUPT STOCK of solid gold jewelry, such as cameos, brooches, lavallieres, watch bracelets and diamonds. Can save you from forty to fifty per cent. on same at Uncle Charles' Pawn Shop; No. 6 South Front street; 'Phone 642. ja11-tf

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